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Captain John Wallace to lead Clan Wallace Society

The Board of Directors of Clan Wallace Society Worldwide has elected Captain John Robert Wallace, US Coast Guard (ret.) to serve as the new president of the international society.

Wallace, a longtime member of the society, resides in Virginia Beach, Virginia, where he is active in Scottish affairs. He is currently serving as vice president of the St. Andrew's Society of Tidewater and is past president of the Scottish Society of Richmond, Virginia. Captain Wallace is a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, a Knight of the Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem and a Knight Officer of the Imperial Ethiopian Order of Saint Mary of Zion.

Captain Wallace commenced his Clan Wallace presidency on January 1, 2004. He is serving with Executive Vice President Robert Wayne Jones of West Virginia and Treasurer William J. Wallace of Arizona.

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To contact the Clan Wallace Society Worldwide, please see their advertisement on page 6A of this publication.

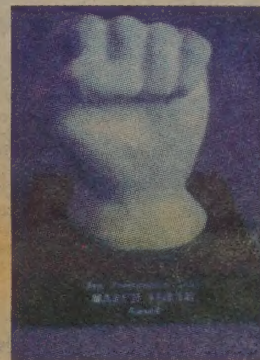


Captain John Robert Wallace.

First-ever Jan Pennington Gray award presented to Kentucky's Robert Harrison

The Jan Pennington Gray March Forth Award was presented to Robert Harrison, president of the Glasgow Highland Games, during the celebration of Hogmanay at the Barren River State Park on New Year's Eve, 2003.

Jan's untimely death was recorded as March fourth, 1999.



The award was instituted by the Board of Directors of the Jan Pennington Gray Harp Scholarship Fund for persons who have Marched Forth and succeeded in establishing and preserving the proud Scottish heritage of music and tradition. They may not sing a note or play a song. However, their influence and determination should inspire others to love and respect their heritage. They have Marched Forth and this is the reason the tradition is honored and revered.

The actual award is a cast of Jan's hand. The original hand was molded and cast by Jan during her lifetime, to represent strength and determination. The award is given in humble honor to symbolize faith, trust and untiring effort.

For complete information regarding the award, contact Jo Pennington, 703 Courtney Lane, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37415.

Register now for Scottish Weekend 2004!

February 13, 14, 15 will be here in a moment! Register now for Scottish Weekend 2004. See registration forms and almost up-to-date program in this publication.

Additions to our program include talks by Cornelia Bush (Certified Genealogist), David Macdonald of Castle Camus, Dwan Hightower of Dreamcatcher Publishing, musical program by Rob Fletcher (Half of our Odom Heritage Award father/son honorees!)...and more! Call Beth at 229-985-6540 or visit <electricscotland.com> for an Internet registration form and complete information. You may use your credit card if you use PayPal on the Internet at The Family Tree site!





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XV Ulster-American Heritage Symposium coming in June 2004 in Northern Ireland

The Fifteenth Ulster-American Heritage Symposium will be held at the Ulster-American Folk Park in Omagh, Northern Ireland from Wednesday, June 23, 2004 through Saturday, June 26, 2004. The theme will be *Changing Ways of Thinking about Emigration from Ulster*. This biennial symposium is always a major event in the Scotch-Irish world.

Since 1976, this symposium has met every two years, alternating between Ulster and the United States. Its purpose is to encourage scholarly study and public awareness of the historical connections between the two countries, including the Scotch-Irish heritage. Its approach is interdisciplinary, and includes history, language and literature, archaeology, folklife, religion, and music.

One of the keynote speakers will be the world-famous linguist Professor Michael Montgomery, who is an active member of the South Carolina Chapter of the Scotch-Irish Society of the USA. Other speakers will include many whose names are familiar to readers of the Journal of Scotch-Irish Studies.

A preliminary program is now available. This indicates that one of the Symposium days will be spent at the Institute for Ulster Scots Studies at Magee College, Londonderry. There will be a guided tour of historic sites, including the celebrated walls. There will be opportunities for independent sight-seeing, both before and after the presentations at Magee College.

Anyone interested in attending the Symposium should contact the organizer, Dr. Brian Lambkin, Director of the Centre for Migration Studies at the Ulster American Folk Park <brian.lambkin@uafp.co.uk> and ask to be put on the mailing list.



Arizona biographical database available

Searching for persons in works not specifically about them has always been especially challenging. Years ago, librarians kept lists, but these lists were very difficult to update. The transference of paper lists to an online database is a major step forward, as it allows not only easy public access but also gives the staff the ability to add, subtract or update entries.

The History and Archives Division of the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records has now made its Arizona Biographical Database available on its website at <<http://www.lib.az.us/archives/>>. You can access the database directly by going to <<http://www.lib.az.us/bio/index.cfm>>. From there you can search by surname, given name or both. One is also allowed to search by city or dates, but these are less reliable, as not all records have entries in these fields. If one is not certain of the spelling of a surname, he may use the Browse feature and select the first letter of the surname.

The entries in our biographical database refer to persons in our collection of books, newspaper articles, periodicals, obituaries and vertical files. This is not a complete listing of the names of people who appear in our records nor does this list include all the records in which an individual may appear. This list is being constantly updated. For additional help, you may contact the Archives staff at: <<http://archives.lib.az.us/email.asp>>.

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What is a Squire?

Christine M. Burton <thehoyan@bellsouth.net>

Question: A friend and I had a discussion about the title "Esquire."

Both of us read somewhere that the title "Esquire" before a name meant that a person was a lawyer.

I am a reader. I'll read anything. If I can't find a good book, I'll resort to reading cereal box and canned good labels, but what I really like are classics, such as *David Copperfield* and *Tale of Two Cities*.

I also enjoy a well-written "who done it" especially one by a British author (they seem to have made of the genre a science).

In all those novels, I have continually met fictional "esquires" and never got the impression that any of them were lawyers. The impression I got was that they were men of importance in their communities, but not royalty.

My friend expressed the opinion that the title of "esquire" may be one applied only to American lawyers.

Could you or some of your readers shed some light on this?

I've found several "esquires" in my family tree and if they were lawyers it's news to me, but then, just their names amounts to "news to me."

Answer: Esquire was "the title given to any owner of a large tract of land.

It was also the title given to a Justice of the Peace, but as nearly every lawyer in Colonial America at one time became a J.P., the title ultimately devolved on all lawyers.

The word was originally squire from the Latin scutarius

- 'shield-bearer'." (Richard M. Lederer, Jr., *Colonial American English; Essex, Connecticut: A Verbatim Book*, 1985, page 80).

However, like with so many things we learn in genealogy, there are other meanings, so one must take the time and locality into consideration for how this term might apply in a particular situation.

For example, esquire also:

◆ Refers to a man or boy who is a member of the gentry in England ranking directly below a knight.

◆ Is used as an honorific usually in its abbreviated form, especially after the name of an attorney or a consular officer: John Doe, Esq.

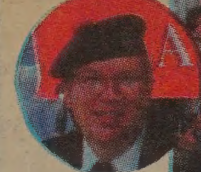
◆ Used in medieval times for a candidate for knighthood who served a knight as an attendant and a shield bearer.

◆ Refers to an English country gentleman; a squire, (archaic) - from the Middle English esquier, from the French escuier.

Black's Law Dictionary points that the term esquire, as used in the United States, is different from its usage in English law.

It says: "In English law, a title of dignity next above gentleman, and below knight. Also a title of office given to sheriffs, sergeants and barristers at law, justices of the peace, and others. In United States, title commonly appended after name of attorney; e.g., John J. Jones, Esquire."

With thanks to the *Larimer County Genealogical Society Newsletter*, P O Box 9502, Fort Collins, CO 80525.



Parade of Tartans, Central Florida Highland Games, January 2004.

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Searches are now available on every existing passenger list of ships arriving at ANY port (NYC & others) 1600s - 1900s for your ancestor's arrival.

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Fun in the Orlando Parade of Tartans!

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The Federal Writers' Project materials found in larger collection

The Federal Writers' Project materials in the Library of Congress Manuscript Division are part of a larger collection titled *The US Work Progress Administration Federal Writers' Project and Historical Records Survey*. The holdings from Federal Writers' Project span the years 1889-1942 and cover a wide range of topics and subprojects. Altogether, the Federal Writers' holdings number approximately 300,000 items and consist of correspondence, memoranda, field reports, notes, graphs, charts, preliminary and corrected drafts of essays, oral testimony, folklore, miscellaneous administrative and miscellaneous other material.

Well over one-half of the materials in this record group pertain to the *American Guide*, the sobriquet for the critically acclaimed state guides. The remainder of the material reflects other areas of interest.

For more information visit <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/wpaintro/wpahome.html>.



Understanding legal abbreviations important

Many old legal documents contain abbreviations, most of which derive from Latin. Sometimes a failure to understand their meaning can interfere with a correct interpretation of that document. Examples of some abbreviations are: *et ux* which means "and wife"; *et vir* which means "and husband"; *d.s.p.* which means "died without issue"; *liber* which means "book or volume"; or *d.v.p.* which means "died in the lifetime of his father."

Since legal documents such as probate records, court records and property transactions can provide so much information to genealogists, an understanding of legal terms is important. A very useful guide to legal terminology is *Black's Law Dictionary*. Paperback versions are reasonably priced and available in bookstores. It is also available in virtually all libraries.



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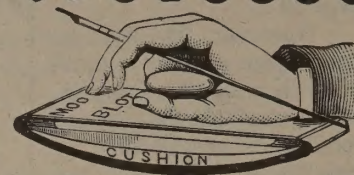
Finding New England ancestors

The Boston Transcript, a newspaper, published a regular column of genealogical queries and answers from 1896 to 1941. These genealogical columns have been indexed in the American Genealogical-Biographical Index, published by the Godfrey Memorial Library of Middletown, Connecticut. The columns themselves are available on microfiche in many genealogy libraries, such as the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.

The columns are also available in the Long Beach Public Library. The queries were clipped from the *Transcript*, pasted onto 3" x 5" cards, and filed alphabetically by surname in a card catalog cabinet in the Genealogy Department. If you have ancestors from Massachusetts or other New England states, see this file for a possible link to your ancestor.

Submitted by Robert Brasher, Library Liaison and Volunteer at Long Beach Public Library.

Source: *Questing Heirs Genealogical Society Newsletter*, P O Box 15102, Long Beach, CA 90815-0102.



Researching North Carolina? Here's help!

Granville County Heritage, North Carolina, Volume I, 2002 is a collection of Granville County's past and present, compiled and written by and about Granville County and its people. The business histories, tributes and memorial section honors very special people and an integral segment of their society. Throughout the book there are wonderful photographs of buildings, landmarks and people.

Copies of the book may be purchased for \$68.50 by contacting Granville County Heritage Book Committee, 322 Aiken Avenue, Creedmoor, North Carolina 27522-9186.

Researching Mayflower ancestors?

If you are researching ancestors who may have arrived in New England on the *Mayflower*, take a look at Caleb Johnson's *Mayflower* Web Pages. The Web address is

<http://www.mayflowerhistory.com>. The site has the ship's passenger list from the 1620 voyage, with some biographical and genealogical information for each passenger. The site also includes documents concerning the ship itself; some wills and estate inventories of the original Pilgrims; full text of some Pilgrim writings; historical documentaries; genealogical and social resources; links to museums and archives containing information about the Plymouth Colony; as well as a list of professional researchers to hire.

Our thanks for this information to *Keith and Kin*, Volume 20, via *Gems of Genealogy*, Bay Area Genealogical Society, and *Kishwaukee Genealogists Newsletter*, P O Box 5503, Rockford, IL 61125.

Here's a tip top tip

Try writing brief biographies on each of your ancestors... or write them by couples. You'll be surprised how hard it is to put on paper (or computer) in narrative form all the details you thought you knew so well. It will help clarify what you don't know or are unsure about, as well as organize the facts you do have. And it's a great start on a book!

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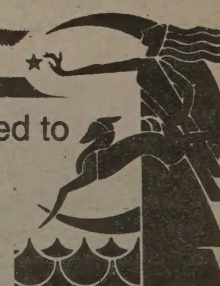
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Here, there and most everywhere

Descendants of James Standridge honored in SC

On the weekend of September 24, 2004, the descendants of James Standridge, a Revolutionary War veteran, will honor his memory with a tombstone dedication at his grave in Oconee County, South Carolina, as part of the Standridge Family National Reunion to be held in Greenville, South Carolina.

For more information and a sample copy of the Standridge Family Newsletter, contact Russell P. Baker, 6525 Magnolia Drive, Mabelvale, Arkansas 72103 or you may wish to email <gobgob3@mindspring.com>.

Kinfolks!

George Washington and William Holden were cousins! William Holden and George Washington were third cousins nine times removed through Richard Ball and his wife, Elizabeth, from England.

Holden descends from their son John, born 1593. George Washington's ancestor was another son, William, born 1615.

Now you can find church contact information easily!

We ran across a couple of pages in the *Family Tree Magazine* that are filled with wonderful information for contacting all manner of churches. For example: African Methodist Episcopal Church, Archives of the Mennonite Church, Moravian Archives, Shaker Heritage Society, and Society of Friends (Quakers), to just mention a few. If you would like a copy of this information, please send us a SASE to PO

Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828.

If you would like to subscribe to the *Family Tree Magazine*, contact the *Family Tree Magazine*, PO Box 3279, Harlan, IA 51593, or phone 888-403-9002.

Southern California League of Genealogical Societies formed

Last summer, leaders from 19 of the genealogical societies gathered to discuss common problems and solutions confronting genealogical societies in Southern California. The outgrowth of that meeting was the formation of the SCLGS.

In order to immediately promote the flow of information of interest to genealogical societies, a web page has been created and is now online. You can visit the web page and read about the League as well as keep abreast of the goings-on in our area. The website is <www.cagenweb.com/kr/league>. Check it out!!!

Our thanks for this information to Ventura County Genealogical Society, P O Box 24608, Ventura, CA 93002.

University of Florida library parking area closed til 2K6

The University of Florida Library West parking area closed on December 1, 2003. The building closed on December 24 2003 for major reconstruction.

It will not reopen until 2006.

All books, bound periodicals and microfilms are being housed off site and retrieved

for use in the Marston Science Library at a later date, depending on when the item is requested.

The reference materials are scheduled to move into Room 100 of Smathers Library.

The P. K. Yonge Library of Florida History will remain in service on the second floor of Smathers Library.

It is strongly recommended that people call ahead if they plan to visit during this construction period. The reference phone number is 352-392-0361.

Genealogical Seminar planned for Lake Havasu City, Arizona

The tenth annual Genealogical Seminar, sponsored by the Lake Havasu Genealogical Society, Inc., will be held Saturday March 13, 2004. Registration will be at 8 AM with the program from 9 AM to 3:30 PM. The seminar site will be Mountain View M.H.P. Clubhouse, 2635 Anita Avenue, Lake Havasu City, Arizona. Topics to be presented are *Vital Records; Emigration, Immigration and Naturalization Records; Note Taking and Citations; and Love's Labour's Lost - Finding Female Ancestry*. Early registration deadline is March 5th.

For more information, contact Lake Havasu Genealogical Society, Inc., 1208 McCulloch Blvd. S., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86406-8963.

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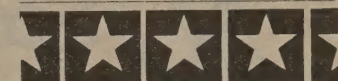
The Daughter of the American Revolution records are among the most valuable genealogical resources available. The DAR Patriot Index contains names of Revolutionary patriots, both men and women, whose service (between 1775 and 1783) has been established by the National DAR Society. Information available may include: dates and places of birth and death, name(s) of wife/wives or husband(s), rank, type of service, and the state where the patriot lived or served. If pension papers are known to exist, that fact will be included. If you are interested in knowing if your ancestor is recognized by the DAR as a Revolutionary Patriot, find out at: <http://www.dar.org/cigbin/natsociety/pi_lookup.cfm>.

Source: *Kishwaukee Genealogists Newsletter*, P O Box 5503, Rockford, IL 61125.

NGS 2004 Conference set for Sacramento

The Genealogical and Historical Council of Sacramento Valley, California will host the National Genealogical Society's 2004 Conference, "A Golden Prospect," on May 19-22, 2004.

For more information, contact Iris Carter Jones at <ijones@accessbee.com> or phone 916-682-3381 or visit website <http://www.sacvalleygenes.org>.



Ashley County Genealogical Society presents a beginners' workshop

A beginners' workshop for family research will be presented by the Ashley County Genealogical Society on Saturday, February 28, 2004, at the Crossett Public Library Community Room in Crossett, Arkansas.

Registration is from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Sessions will be held 9:00 a.m. to noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bring a sack lunch. Drinks and snacks will be served.

The cost will be \$20 before January 15th and \$25 thereafter. Cost will cover printing of handout material.

To pre-register send your name, address, city, state and zip, along with your check to ACGS, P.O. Drawer R, Crossett, Arkansas 71635.

For additional information contact William C. Finch, 407 East Third Avenue, Crossett, Arkansas 71635-3014.

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<http://presley-pressley.com>

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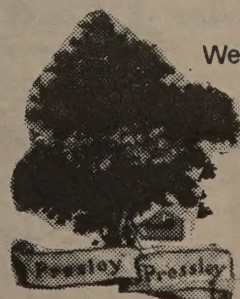
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February 16, 2004 for Presidents Day

May 31, 2004 for Memorial Day

Flowers of the Forest

John Rankin Urquhart (1921-2003) died on June 16, 2003. He was the son of Captain John Crammond Urquhart

from Aberdeenshire. He was born on May 29, 1921 in Chelmsford, Essex. He attended King Edward VI

School, Chelmsford and Emmanuel College, Cambridge University where he achieved a Master of Arts degree. He served in World War II from 1939-46. John was a member of Food Industry Council of Australia and a past chairman of the Grocery Manufactures of Australia. In retirement, he enjoyed traveling, fishing and gardening. He is survived by his wife "Siggi" Sigrid, nee Ohart, two daughters and two sons.

The Clan Urquhart Association extends its sincere sympathy to the following members who have lost relatives: Janet Ochs on the death of her stepson. Barbara Urquhart McCarthy and her husband on the death of his aunt.

Dr. Fred Urquhart, Professor Emeritus, University of Toronto, passed away. He was an internationally renowned pioneer in the field of insect migration and was awarded the Order of Canada, that nation's highest civilian honor. He died just short of his 91st birthday.

Richard William Bogarde (1946-2002) was a member of the Clan Urquhart Association since 2002. He was the son of Henry and Dora Bogarde and was born on July 14, 1956 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. After high school, he enlisted in the US Navy and served three tours of duty in Vietnam. He married Beth Urquhart on December 16, 1967 in Ketchikan, Alaska. The couple shared their 35th wedding anniversary two days prior to his death. Rick can best be described as a truly supportive friend who was

known to help whenever there was a need. A man whose life revolved around his family, he is sorely missed by his wife and the couple's two sons, Rick W., Jr., and Jeffrey Bogarde, and a daughter Rebecca Bogarde.

Majorie Louise Davis was a Clan Urquhart Association member since August 21, 1999 and a regular visitor to the Urquhart tent at the Games in Maine. She was married to George W. Davis and was a resident of Livermore, Maine. Majorie passed away in December of 2002. She is survived by a daughter, Deborah Davis Whalen; son-in-law, Tom Whalen; and a grandson.

It is with extreme sadness we inform you that **Suzanne McGrath Dale**, Lifetime Member, Convener and former Brieve for The Clan Morrison Society of North America, died suddenly on October 25, 2003 in Sacred Heart Hospital, Cumberland, Maryland. This was after her only son **Hospitalman First Class Shaun Lachlan Dale, U.S. Navy**, was lost at sea in May 2003 while returning from the Persian Gulf.

Shaun Dale was the second sailor who went missing (lost at sea) as the U.S.S. Nassau returned to port in S.E. Virginia from its duty in the Middle East. The Navy had declared him officially missing on June 3rd and the family held a service for him in 29 Palms, California.

Suzanne is survived by her husband, Roger Dale, former Treasurer for the Society and her daughter-in-law, Alma Dale. Suzanne and Roger were active in Clan members in the western end of the panhandle and in the Arlington/Alexandria region for Clans Morrison and MacLaughlin. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Please remember Roger Dale in your prayers as he passes through this very difficult time.

Dr. W. Jeffrey Scott, M.B., Ch.B., FRCGP, passed away in 2003. Born in 1924, he was a well respected General Practitioner from 1950 onwards. He was a much re-

spected member of his community and was secretary of the Community Council, chairman of the Investment Club, chairman of the Church Congregational Board and an active member of the Burns and Probus Clubs. He also found time to be a very active member of the Friends of Loch Lomond as a Council member and as vice-chairman. He had a special interest in planning and a passionate zeal to defend Gartocharn from changes such as increased activity by walkers.

Mrs. Emily Galbraith passed away in 2003. Born in 1895, Emily's life spanned 108 years and five reigns. She witnessed the Sydney Street siege, met David Lloyd George and Ernest Shackleton, the explorer, and watched Queen Victoria drive by. Emily trained as a teacher and learned to fly a Gypsy Moth in east Lothian. She married a Scottish sea captain and visited the USA. Emily received birthday greetings from US Presidents Clinton and Bush. She taught as a headmistress until she was 75 in 1970. From her Penicuik home, she then began a new career as a television star relating history in two films *Married Love* and *Pocket Full of Posies* ending in 2002 at age 107. She also contributed to the Channel 4 book *All Quiet on The Home Front* which was recently published. What a woman!



Norrie C. MacPhee died in Nashua, New Hampshire on December 16, 2003. He was 81 years old. A memorial service was held at The George R. Rivet Funeral Home in Merrimack on Saturday, December 20th.

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Cornish Cousins 13th Gathering of Cornish American Heritage Society, July 13-17, 2005, Mars Hill NC. Vivianne Trevithick Bradley, President Cornish Cousins of the South East, 265 Penwith Lane, Burnsville NC

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Davis-Goode & Whitfield Descendants of Albert Davis, Albert Goode Sr and Mary Goode-Whitfield. 48th annual. July 02, 2004, Oklahoma City OK. Andrew Hamlin Vice-President, 405-4 7 8 - 5 0 0 7 ; <andylcap@aol.com>.

Germanna 48th annual. July 23-25, 2004, Germanna Community College, Locust Grove VA. Thomas Faircloth, PO Box 279, Locust Grove, VA 22508-0279; 540-423-1700; <office@germanna.org>.

Noe A researching reunion. July 30-Aug 1, 2004, Scottsburg IN. Steve and Jeannie Noe Carlisle, <scjc@scottsburg.com>; <www.scottinhistory.com>

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Smith-Hannah-Terrell July 15-18, 2004, Adamsville AL. Sylvia Hannah Meincke,

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<smeinckel@msn.com>.

Reter Descendants of George Frederick Reter and Catherine Lins Reter. July 24, 2004 at Mt. Zion Church hall on Mt. Zion Road, Freeland MD. Ray Reter, PO Box 424, Timonium MD; <raymondreter@aol.com>.

Tarvin October 7-10, 2004, Hot Springs AR. Richard Tarvin, 513-231-3716; <mtarvin10@comcast.net>; <www.tarvinfamily.org>.

Veal, Carter, Williams

and Thompson. July 9-11 2004, New Orleans LA. Lettie Sabbs, 2449 E. 93th St, Chicago IL 60617.

Walker/Kimbrough July 22-25, 2004, Washington DC. Doris and Samuel Collins. 301-8 7 0 - 0 8 5 2 , <Collins_27487@msn.com>.

White Returning to Louisiana, Aug 20-22, 2004. Contact 310-638-4226; <GWhite5964@aol.com>.

Wing June 18-20, 2004, Sandwich MA. The family hopes Volume One of its new "Wing Genealogy" will be available at the reunion. <www.wingfamily.org>.

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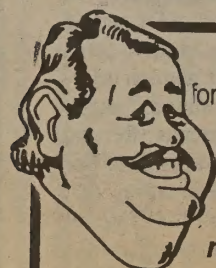
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Researchers in molecular biology have received enthusiastic support from many genealogists and others who are generous in making their DNA available for scientific studies, and some of the genomic findings have already rewritten history and heavily pruned some family trees, replacing fiction with facts. Genomics is a two-edged sword, and the findings aren't always those that were expected, were desired, or ones that conform with current definitions of "politically correct." Humans are prone to making mistakes and all levels of behavior, many of which reshaped some prominent family pedigrees. Like George Washington, genomics may chop down the family's cherry tree, but unlike George, genomics can create new ones. Many of these family trees have flourished, albeit under assumed names. DNA fingerprinting is one of the more highly developed subspecialties of genomics.

Forensic and medical capabilities of DNA interpretations may have progressed farther than is generally appreciated by someone contributing a personal DNA sample to a group study that includes large numbers of total strangers with similar surnames. This tiny sample can provide a wealth of personal information and in the future, even more will become available. Already, DNA can produce a genetic "photofit" which can determine hair color, eye color and ethnic appearance. It can reveal the presence of or predisposition to an ever-increasing number of serious medical diseases involving every body system and predict the manner in which they can be transmitted to future generations. Nuclear DNA abnormalities are most commonly associated with well-recognized disease patterns, as occur in various types of cancer, heart disease, diabetes, neurological and mental disorders, and diseases of specific organs. Mitochondrial DNA is trickier;

because it's involved with providing energy through oxidative phosphorylation, its mutations play roles in diseases affecting organs which require much energy or it works in concert with nuclear DNA to cause complex disease syndromes.

This information can be very useful to a family which is attempting to recognize, treat or prevent a serious medical condition. It also can have devastating psychological impacts which require genetic counselling, might affect insurability and have serious legal liabilities.

We are not questioning the motives of the now vast majority of university or commercial laboratories currently engaged in DNA research and analysis, but unfortunately, the paths genealogists are following are full of legal potholes. The genealogist needs to understand the scope and the limitations of any signed "informed consent" and to realize that there is currently no uniformity in state laws controlling medical record confidentiality. There are multiple other legal problems which involve DNA banking, care of DNA samples, limitations on research and dissemination of results, possible subpoena of DNA by courts, etc. Retrieval of DNA samples from a distant central bank by a surviving relative could easily become a complicated matter. There is need for uniformity and a single national policy concerning all these legal matters.

Right now, it's chaotic.

Genealogical uses for DNA are not the primary ones, which remain in the fields of medicine and forensic science, but they are nevertheless very valuable and can provide answers to problems that could be solved in no other way. Medical studies have already passed through the genetic phase and now involve genomic phases and post-genomic aspects. We predict that genealogists will depend increasingly upon genomic data for verifying or disproving genealogical concepts. Researching records may be more fun, but genomic research will be fascinating, too, if only because

the outcomes, at least now, are reliable but so unpredictable. Princes may become paupers; paupers may beget princes. The rules of the games haven't changed - we'll just have to play by them more carefully. Instead, have it preserved by lyophilization and establish your own private family DNA bank, available for unforeseen future needs. You won't even have to refrigerate the preserved DNA, as room temperature storage will suffice. Someday your family will be glad you saved those previous DNA samples when they were so readily available.

And, may the Genie of Genomic Genealogy smile upon your family!

One last suggestion

One last suggestion: We are using an emerging technology which is continually improving. Improvements mean changes and changes lead to confusion. Newly discovered loci and mutations will replace some of those in wide current use and the present ones may be assigned new names. New methodology will also affect the reporting format. And, as in the rest of the business world, there are always business failures and corporate mergers, so your favorite laboratory may suddenly disappear. In order to protect all of the time, energy and expense your family has invested in genomic research, you might consider one more step. When DNA samples are submitted, collect one more sample from each participant, but don't submit it.

You may visit <<http://www.newenglandancestors.org/articles/research/?pageid=6598attrib1-1&seqnum=204>> to see more articles by Dr. Knights. If you'd like to see this article in its entirety, please visit <<http://www.electricscotland.com>> and see the February/March and June/July issues of *The Family Tree*.

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Tax exempt status given for the John Logie Baird Scholarship Fund

Dale F. Baird, Sr., president of Clan Baird Society Worldwide, has just announced that the Internal Revenue Service has given final approval for a tax exempt status for the John Logie Baird Scholarship Fund.

The Fund has been established for the purpose of providing a full scholarship to a qualified student in the United States or Canada, who wishes to pursue one of six postgraduate programs at the John Logie Baird Institute for Vision Technology at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland. The individual will be using the new Virtual Environment Laboratory (VAL), which combines the world's most powerful computer visualization technologies to provide a unique reality experience.

The VEL has been established and is managed by the re-

search group ABACUS of the Department of Architecture at the University. ABACUS has over 30 years experience researching issues surrounding computer graphics and visualizing.

The Fund and the Institute, takes their name from John Logie Baird, the pioneer of television who attended the University.

Ligonier Games award scholarships

On Saturday, September 6th some 10,000 enthusiasts for Scottish music, dancing and athletics gathered at Idlewild Park, Ligonier, for the 45th Annual Ligonier Highland Games. At noon over twenty top grade bagpipe bands followed a parade of Scottish clan societies, military re-enactors, heavy athletes, rugby players and Scottish breed dogs around the main field, then joining together to perform as one massed band with some 500 pipers and drummers thrilling the crowd.

Following the day-long

competitions in solo piping, drumming and Highland Dancing, eight scholarships worth \$150 each to be used to attend clinics or workshops were awarded to the following contestants by Games president Gordon M. Reid.

Amateur solo piping in Grades 1-4 respectively were won by Eric Ouellette of Coventry, Connecticut (Grade 1); Daniel Cole of Scotia, New York; Sean Regan, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and John Hasley also of Pittsburgh. Grades 1-2 winners in the solos drumming were won by Alex Wright of Lorain, Ohio, and John Massey of Jackson, New Jersey. In Highland Dancing the winners were Madelyn Shaffer of Level Green, Pennsylvania, and Shelby Makel of North Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

The Ligonier Highland Games are a cultural activity of the Clan Donald Educational & Charitable Trust of Pittsburgh. The 2004 Ligonier Highland Games are set for the weekend of September 10-12. For information <www.ligoniergames.org>.

Archival project underway for Clan Gunn
Abb Gunn, world genealo-

gist of Clan Gunn, has undertaken a project to reconstruct the Old Parish Records in Scotland for clan sept names. The records are gathered from the International Genealogical Index, the Scottish Genealogy Society, and the 1881 British Census. The need is indicated by the lack of records in specific areas for specific names.

The completion of the records will appear in both diskette form and hard copy and will be records of christenings, marriage banns, and death dates where found in a centralized record book format.



Gunn is concentrating primarily in the north of Scotland, the seat and origin of Clan Gunn - Caithness, Sutherland, Orkney, and Shetland. Records are also being gathered in Inverness (military sites), Edinburgh, Glasgow, England, Wales, and the re-

mainder of Scotland from the 1881 census of those born in the North.

A second project is the gathering of all Federal census records for all states for the sept names. Of first priority is the period 1850-1920. Records before 1850 will follow. These records will, like the Scottish ones, be on diskette and hard copy placed in convenient locations.

A future undertaking will be the archiving of immigration records, naturalization records, draft registration records and others that become available from various sources. The hope is that the Clan Gunn Archives will not only serve as a chronicle of the history of Clan Gunn, but be a research tool of value to clan members.

City Directories

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Bumps, if not potholes, along the Scottish ancestry trail

1. Until 1965, a widow might resume her maiden name.
2. Families were often named for estates, rather than the reverse.
3. A laborer sometimes adopted his laird's surname.
4. Civil registration, such as births, marriages and deaths, began in 1855 (yesterday, genealogically).
5. On death entries from 1859-65, a married woman was sometimes indexed by married surname with maiden surname in brackets. Sometimes it was by her maiden surname only.
6. If your ancestor left Scotland after 1854, you need the FULL name of that person (not "my mother" or "my grandfather") and approximate birthdate. Names are used over and over and there are more than 900 parishes in Scotland.
7. If your ancestor left Scotland before 1855, you will also need to know at least the county in addition to information listed in #6.
8. Very few shipping lists exist in the Scottish Record Office.
9. The names DONALD and DANIEL are interchangeable.
10. CHRISTIAN is rarely a boy's name in Scotland.
11. Most archives in Scotland close on Sunday and bank holidays. (Remember, their holidays don't coincide with ours!)
12. In 1841, the ages of children over 15 years old were rounded down to the nearest 5... that is, a 19 year old would be listed as 15 while a 24 year old would be listed as 20.
13. Gaps may appear in records for certain periods of time (the one YOU need) because of damage, destruction, falling into private hands, or due to a careless or forgetful minister.

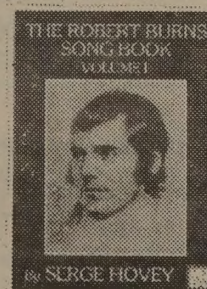
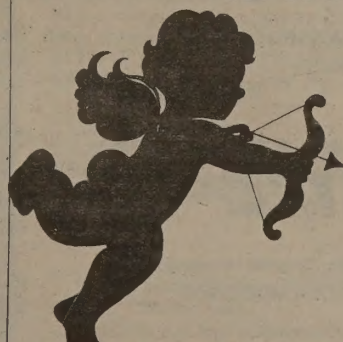
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February 13, 14, 15 Early Registration Form

Celebrating the Music of Scotland from Then til Almost Now...

Please reserve _____ places @ \$25.00 each for the Friday Night Old Fashioned Ceilidh & Dinner. Friday night, 13 February, 6.30 PM at the Agricultural Center (on the Bypass just across from Hampton Inn).

We have limited seating at this event. Please don't be disappointed. Register early. A wonderful meal prepared by Roscoe Gay and Company and our professional entertainers plus your own favorite song, poem, joke or performance! Be sure and bring your favorite party piece!

Total @ \$25.00 each

Please reserve _____ places @ \$75.00 each for Scottish Weekend 2004.

This registration includes all talks and programs on Saturday, plus the Saturday evening Gala Ceilidh and Banquet (All-You-Care-To-Eat Seafood Buffet) as well as the Luncheon after the Kirkin' o' the Tartan on Sunday. The Saturday talks and programs will be at the library and the Colquitt Museum of History. Scottish Country Dancing Workshop is also included. This is held at the Chamber of Commerce. Saturday evening events at The Community Center, Spence Field.

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Please reserve _____ places \$50.00 for Saturday Gala Ceilidh & Banquet ONLY.

This registration includes the Saturday evening events at the Community Center, Spence Field only. This dress-up occasion includes the Seafood Buffet, the finest in Scottish Entertainment, door prizes and surprises.

Total @ \$50 each

Most people register for the Friday Night Old Fashioned Ceilidh & Dinner and the Scottish Weekend 2004.

This is a total of \$100 per person.

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25th Arkansas Scottish Festival set for April

Now's the time to begin lin-

ing up your Scottish Festivals, and the 25th Arkansas festival is one not to miss. The event will be held April 23-25, 2004 at Lyon College in Batesville, Arkansas. The festival will move to the heart of the campus this year, so you can reconnect with your Scottish roots and explore the latest additions to the campus physical plant, including Lyon's new Derby Center for Science and Mathematics. Deadline to reserve your space is March 19th.

For more information, contact Gina Garrett at <GGarrett@lyon.edu> or phone 870-698-4624. You could also register online by visiting <www.lyon.edu> and click on "Scottish Heritage."

Greenock and was followed by a reception at the Royal Gourock Yacht Club and a dinner and dance at the Kip Marina, where all of the resident yachts were decorated from stem to stern with flags in honour of the occasion. The bride and groom, both enthusiastic sailors, spent their honeymoon cruising in the Firth of Clyde.

Our thanks for this information to *The Majoribanks Letter*, The Majoribanks Family, 2228 Kipling Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1H6T5, Canada.



William James and James William Bruce of Plainfield, Illinois visit the grave of their ancestor, William Bruce (1718 - 1795) in Aberdour Kirkyard, Aberdeenshire in May of 2003.

If you're also kin, contact Nancy Bruce Crilly, 109 South Joliet Street, Wilmington, IL 60481-1776.

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Do you know

Robert Andrew and Stella Yorke-Johnson?

Dear Friends,

I was shopping at my favorite thrift store and found the most wonderful photograph of a typical World War II wedding. Both the bride and groom are in uniform (I am not able to tell which branch of the military or even which country) standing in the doorway of a church, I believe. On the back is written, "Marriage of Robert Andrew and Stella Yorke-Johnson, 1942."

This tiny treasure is only 2.5 inches by 3.5 inches, but if any one knows or knew this couple, I would be happy to send it to them.

Thank you so much,

Mrs. Virginia Elrod, PO Box 3599, Eureka, CA 95502.

Kirsty, daughter of Majoribanks Chief, weds Graeme Galbraith

Kirsty Leslie Majoribanks of Greenock, Scotland, youngest daughter of the Chief and of his wife Fiona, was married on September 6, 2003 to Graeme Donald Galbraith of the neighbouring town of Gourock.

The ceremony took place at Finnart St. Paul's Church,

Join the Lyon College Pipe Band in New York City

Have you ever dreamed of marching with the Lyon College Pipes and Drums? Wondered at the excitement of April in New York? Plan to join the Pipes and Drums and see them perform in the Tartan Day Parade down New York's Sixth Avenue on April 3rd.

If you'd be interested in more information, contact Gina Garrett, Chair, Arkansas Scottish Festival Clans, at

What do those pesky initials mean?

We thank the *Columbine Genealogical & Historical Society Newsletter* from Littleton, Colorado for the following information to help us with the meanings of initials we see all the time. Connie Strandberg submitted this.

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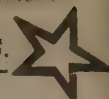
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A Highlander & His Books!

A Review of Sam Coull's *Nothing But My Sword*

Frank R. Shaw, FSA Scot, Atlanta, GA, USA, email: <jurascot@earthlink.net>

If you are interested in a Jacobite who fought and gave his all in the '15 and who went on to become a leading Russian General fighting major campaigns in Poland and the Ottoman Empire while being sought by an Empress who listed after him as a love, then welcome to *Nothing But My Sword*. This is a 220-page book of dynamite!

Fleeing from the Russian Empress Elizabeth, this valiant soldier and leader of military men ended up in the services of Frederick the Great. Sam Coull brings to the literary world the untold story of a man of great courage, and Coull wants the world to know that here is one of Scotland's "greatest soldiers and greatest men."

Little heard of, thus not well known, when you finish this book, you will agree with the author on both points. Welcome to the fighting world of Field Marshal James Francis Edward Keith!

You will find a statue of Keith, younger brother to the Earl Marischal, in the town of Peterhead, Scotland. It is a replica of one created for Wilhelm I of Prussia by the artist Taesart. The original stands in Berlin...and Wilhelm gifted this copy to Peterhead upon request from the town's magistrates.

While local citizens today hardly acknowledge the statue of Keith, Coull points out that it is not unusual to see groups of Polish and Russian seamen talking among themselves while gathered at the foot of the statue. Yes, they know more about Keith than the locals.

Ask a new citizen about the history of America, and

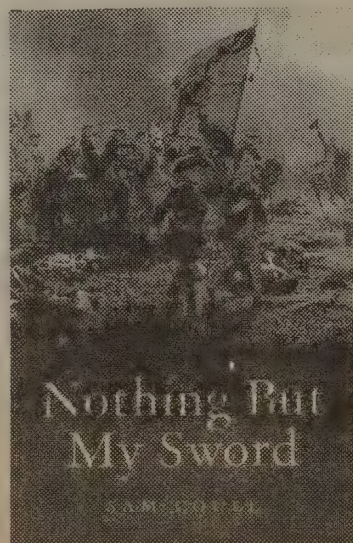
you'll probably learn more American history than you've learned since high school.

I mentioned the word "Jacobite" in the first sentence. I went back and scanned the book and found the word on almost every page of the first 86. After all, note the full name of Field Marshal Keith - it is Jacobite to the core. His family literally lost it all in support of the Jacobite cause. Had his brother, the Earl Marischal, given his support to Bonnie Prince Charlie, there is speculation on my part that Field Marshal Keith would have been head of "Charlie's army" and the outcome of the '45 might have been different.

After all, the greatest general in Europe at that time was a man who had nothing to offer the world but his sword. But what a mighty sword it was, and the size of the various battles during the '45 were miniscule compared to the battles led by this great warrior in the service of the mightiest kings in Europe.

As the old saying goes, "Those that live by the sword shall die by the sword," and the death of Keith was no different. Cornered by a monumental blunder committed by King Frederick at the Battle of Hochkirch, Keith told the King to his face that "the Austrian generals deserve to be hanged if they don't attack us here."

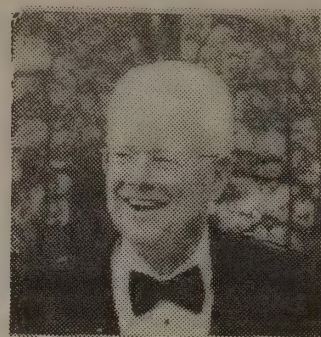
It was a mistake very similar to the one committed by Bonnie Prince Charlie at Culloden - being caught defending a patch of ground that was not defensible. Separated by only a half mile, the Prussians numbered 40,000 and the Austrians 90,000. Awakened at 6:30 a.m. to be told of the losses, General Keith did what he had done so many



times as a soldier. He mounted his horse and ordered every man to follow him as he charged into battle. Initially successful in recapturing the battery, the old war horse was eventually forced back.

Sometime later, Keith, having taken two bullets in his right side and finding himself surrounded by enemy troops, led a bayonet-fighting retreat only to take a fatal bullet and fall from his horse into the arms of an English soldier, John Tebay, his groom.

It is said that the Croats stripped the dead of anything of value and, as the author vividly points out, a stripped Field Marshal looked no different than his soldiers. The son of an old friend fighting on the other side eventually identified



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the man he had known as a mere lad, and Keith was buried with full military honors at Hochkirch.

King Frederick had Keith's body exhumed four months later and interred in Berlin, his final resting place.

Over 25 years later, a statue to Keith's honor was unveiled on the Wilhelmplatz in Berlin.

In 1789, Wilhelm awarded Keith's name to the First Upper Silesian Regiment, and a soldier can only go higher if he goes to heaven!

I digress to say that Wilhelm, while fighting for his life in a tactical withdrawal from Hochkirch, still found time to write Keith's brother, the Marischal, regarding his brother's death. There must have been a mighty bond between the two men as Wilhelm continued to heap honors on Keith over a quarter of a century after his death.

Finally, for any professed modern Jacobite worth his or her salt, (you can spot them at the various Scottish Highland Games wearing their white cockades and adorning the windshields and bumpers of their automobiles with "ECOSSE" signs), please do yourself a favor and check out the Appendix of this book. It is entitled "The Last Earl Marischal and the Jacobite Cause". Here you will find papers in his own words from the Marischal regarding his position on the '45.

Do yourself a favor and read them if you've not already done so. It may open a window for you.

Many thanks to my friend, Clan Keith's George Newberry, for recommending this book to me a few months back. [ISBN 1-84158-024-4] (1/5/04) ●

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Source: *Escondido Genealogical Society Newsletter*, P O Box 2190, Escondido, CA 92103-2190.

9,000 Hebridean acres given away

A Scottish Clan Chief said Friday in London that he agreed to give land his family has owned for 1,000 years to the government, which plans to eventually give it to residents.

Ian MacNeil, chief of the MacNeil clan, said he was giving the Scottish Executive 9,000 acres on the remote islands of Barra and Vatersay, in the Outer Hebrides chain off Scotland's west coast.

The MacNeils are descendants of Irish raiders who came to Barra in the 11th century.

The transfer means the government will own most of the land on the islands. The parcels will be given to the islands 1,300 residents if they decide to opt for community ownership.

Source: *The Scotia Script*, 104 King Arthur Court, Galax, Virginia 24333.

Robert Burns Lives!

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One of the great pleasures of editing *Robert Burns Lives!* is the opportunity to meet people throughout the global Scottish community who love Robert Burns.

In this issue, you will hear from Peter Westwood, Castle Douglas, Scotland, the distinguished Editor of the *Burns Chronicle* and author of several books.

Peter has taken time from finishing a new set of books on Burns to furnish this article for our readers. It is extremely rare that an author working on his or her next book will stop to provide an article for *Robert Burns Lives!*

In the next issue, David Smith, Hon. Secretary of the Burns Howf Club, will present our guest column. The Howf Club is located in the building that houses The Globe Inn that was frequented by Burns. David has been Hon. Secretary of the Club for 30 years!

Gladly do we sit at the feet of these men to learn more about Robert Burns. I deeply appreciate the contributions they make to this column that now receives as many emails as the book reviews or the "Chats" with authors.

Many thanks to John Mackay for the sketch of Robert Burns dancing!



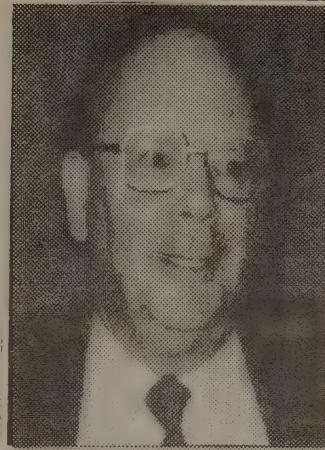
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Peter J. Westwood



Robert Burns - Country Dancer

Peter J. Westwood, Editor, *Burns Chronicle*

Over the years many questions have been asked about the social life of Scotland's National Bard, Robert Burns.

It is a well-known fact that he was socially popular even as a teenager and country dancing was early on his list of social activities to the extent that he defied the wishes of his father by joining a local country dancing class.

In his autobiographical letter to Dr. Moore, he stated: "In my 17th year, to give my manners a brush, I went to a country dancing school. My father had an unaccountable antipathy against these meetings; and my doing was, what to this hour I spent, in absolute defiance of his commands."

His brother Gilbert was later to say, "Robert excelled in dancing, and was for some time distractedly fond of it".

It was at a dance during April 1785 that Burns first met Jean Armour who was eventually to become his wife. Many stories have been repeated over the years about what the Poet may or may not have said or been responsible for.

One story on the subject of dancing which originated from one of the Poet's school-mates, William Niven, goes as follows: A week before a local fair, Robert suggested to his friend William that they should organise a dance on the evening prior to the fair, and hold it in one of the public houses in the village and invite their girlfriends to come along. William consented and it was agreed that some other young men should be asked to join in on this undertaking.

The dance took place as planned, music being supplied by a hired band (probably a local fiddler) and a dozen couples took part.

At the close of the dance

they found that the cost of running the evening amounted to eighteen shillings and fourpence. Unfortunately, hardly any of those attending had any money, except William, who possessed about two shillings and sixpence. However the problem was eventually solved when William agreed to find the money to pay for the dance. He did this by selling stationery to the school which he acquired from his father's warehouse in Maybole. He also sold pens and paper to his friends. It is not known whether or not these items were acquired officially!

Words associated with the many forms of dancing and singing crop up from time to time, not only in the many songs and poems of Robert Burns, but also in his correspondence, particularly in his letters to James Johnston (Scots Musical Museum) and to George Thomson (Select Scottish Airs).

More than anyone else Burns was responsible for the survival of hundreds of Scottish tunes including those used for dancing, many of them still in vogue today. Verses from the Poet's tale, "Tam o' Shanter" and his song "The Deil's awa wi th' Exciseman" provide excellent examples on the theme of dancing.

"Warlocks and witches in a dance: Nae Cotillion, brent new frae France, But hornpipes, jigs, strathspeys, and reels, Put life and mettle in their heels."

"There's threesome feels, there's foursome reels, There's hornpipes and strathspeys, man, But the ae best dance e'er cam to the land Was the Deil's awa wi th' Exciseman".

The Poet's love of dancing was largely due to his fondness of the lasses and this can be seen in a number of his

songs. In his "Bonnie Jean" he remarks:

"He gae'd wi Jeanie to the Tryste (Cattle-Fair) He danc'd wi Jeanie on the down, And, lang ere witless Jeanie wist, Her heart was tint, her peace was stown!"

The subject of the song was not his wife Jean, but Jean McMurdo, daughter of the Chamberlain of Drumlanrig Castle. In his "Fragment on Maria" he pays compliment to Maria Riddell, who could possibly have been a dancing partner:

"How gracefully Maria leads the dance! She's life itself; I never saw a foot So nimble and so elegant. It speaks And the sweet whispering Poetry it makes Shames the musician."

During the Poet's tour of the Highlands in 1787 he met Niel Gow, the famous fiddler, equally well known in Scots song and dance. The Poet's song "Amang the Trees" was intended as a compliment to Niel:

"Amang the trees, where humming bees At buds and flowers were hinging, O, Auld Caledon drew out her drone, And to her pipe was singing, O. 'Twas pibroch, sang, strathspeys and reels She dir'd them aff fu clearly, O, When there cam a yell o' freign squeels, That dang her tapsalteerie, O!"

My final quotation comes appropriately from "The Ploughman" which is a typical example of Burn's reworking of a traditional song:

"I hae been east, I hae been west, I hae been at Saint Johnston, (Perth) The boniest sight that er'e I saw Was th' ploughman laddie dancin'. Snaw-white stockins on his legs, And siller buckles glancing; A gude blue bonnet on his head, And O but he was hand-

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Find the fawn!

A family in Oregon found this fawn a few weeks ago and took this photo.

The white spots on the steps and petals.

As you know, deer hide their fawns while. The fawns have no odor yet, absolutely still.

The fawn stayed there all morning (Oregon), and the mama came to get it. Kudos to the people for leaving the fawn mom would come back.

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Barbara McDaniel Ray of Atlanta, Georgia - shown here with *Family Tree* Assistant, Jinx Stubbs, came to visit The Odom Library wearing a most wonderful collection of charms! She said that her charm necklace and bracelets were her "family history charms" and that each of the hundreds of charms she was wearing represented some aspect of her own family roots. She had on what had to be several hundred charms on the day of her visit with us...they weighed about a pound!

Mrs. Ray has been collecting for about two years and says the collection began when she retired as Professor Emeritus from Georgia State University in Atlanta as a professor of Public Administration and Urban Studies.

Treasures are found at flea markets, on the Internet, in jewelry stores and most anywhere. The old charms, she says, are the most wonderful to her. Her favorite? Professor Ray says that perhaps her favorite bracelet is her religious bracelet representing the worship of her family for many generations...and her bracelet of cats and animals - even opossums!

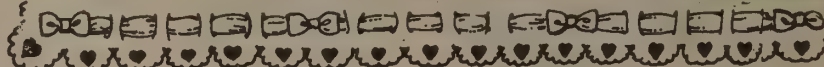
Here are just a few of her charms - two bracelets and her necklace - she was wearing when she visited in Moultrie!

You may contact Barbara Ray of Atlanta at <barbray@mindspring.com> if you want to talk "charms"!



Jinx Stubbs and Barbara McDaniel Ray at The Odom Library. Note Ms. Ray's handsome "charming" necklace! She was also wearing 2 bracelets filled with charms with meaning to her family.

Dr. R. Quinn Pugh, President of the Scottish Heritage Society of Southeast Georgia, welcomes the Rev. and Mrs. Julian Ward as the 99th and 100th members of the society.



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somé!"

Let George Thomson have the final words: "Mr. Burns, whose enthusiasm for Caledonian Music and Song, was only equaled by his poetical talents, no sooner heard of the Editor's plan, than he signified his warm approbation of it, and in the most liberal and cordial manner undertook to contribute every aid in his power for rendering the Collection as complete as possible. He has performed what he promised in a manner that transcends the sanguine expectations formed by the Editor, having enriched the Work with the most exquisite Songs, both Scottish and English, that exist in any language; they ex-

hibit all the charms of the Poet's genius in the utmost variety both of serious and humorous composition; and every intelligent reader will contemplate his luxuriant fancy, his ardent feeling, and manly sentiment, and the impressive energy and simplicity of his style, with equal wonder and delight. All his tender and impassioned Songs breathe the genuine, glowing, unaffected language of the heart; while the scenes, the manners, the innocence, and the pleasures of rural life, are portrayed with a pencil so true to nature, as to engage our warmest sympathies and admiration." (1/6/2004)

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Joann Mackinnon is on the mend...

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Ozzie said it is a remarkable recovery, she is now on the mend, and has been able to come home.

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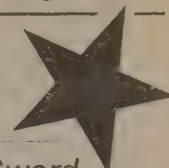
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A Chat with Sam Coull

Author of *Nothing But My Sword*

Q: You have written one of the most interesting books I have read in a long time. Please tell our readers where you learned to write?

A: My writing style comes naturally, but it was also tailored in style to suit a modern readership. History can be a dry subject, so it was quite deliberately written in a way that was fast moving, in an almost newspaper way, in order to bring it to the reader as a novel rather than the serious historical biography it was always meant to be. We currently have a lot of British television programmes where various professors stalk old battlefields and tell the viewers how it all happened with relaxed insights into the main characters...I tried to do the same in print.

Q: You have developed an easy writing style. Do you write as you talk or is this your writing style?

A: I pretty well write much as I talk. It can't be done any other way for my readers otherwise the story would not flow coherently. I'm like most people, I guess, when my writing flows, I just have to go with it until it dries up on me, and that can mean sitting at a word processor well into morning.

Q: Tell us a little about your writing history. What publications or other books have you written?

A: *Nothing But My Sword* was my first book and was taken up by the first publisher I approached with the manuscript. It got to number five in the best-seller list of Waterstones, one of Britain's biggest booksellers. Previously, my only attempts at writing were a column for my local newspaper.

Q: Unfortunately, there is no mention in the paperback of *Nothing But My Sword* of your background or what you do, and our readers would like to know more about you. Would you be kind enough to supply us a brief sketch of your life?

A: I left school to become a joiner/carpenter, met

my wife while repairing windows at the school where she taught and got married nine months later with our only daughter, Jenny, already on the way. We bought an old house and during evenings,

holidays and weekends tore the old house apart and remade it to suit us, doing it all myself over a two-year period. I then joined the Post Office which allowed me to both be a part-time joiner, Regional Councillor/District Councillor and a Union rep, apart from being very active politically. Having retired from the Post Office at the same time as my wife, Ann, retired from education, I also managed to lose my Council seat and, with nothing much to do, decided to write a book as a way to usefully spend my time. The book took two years to research and write, and I recovered my Council seat shortly before it was published. At the beginning of my authorship, relatives would ask solicitously, "And what are you doing now?" and, on getting an unexpected answer, replied, "Ah, yes, a book...a book."

Q: What was it about James Keith that made you want "to restore him to his rightful place as one of Scotland's "greatest soldiers and greatest men"? When did you first decide to set out on this task, and how long did it take you to complete it?

A: I chose James Keith because his story had never been written and, since I don't read fiction, there was no way I could bring myself to write it. Besides, it seemed at that time most of the research would be a simple matter to put together (Just how wrong can you get things?). Writing and researching the book became an obsession and an everyday chore, which began shortly after my unemployment in

2000 and went on for the next two years. It also helped to have a subject who was larger than life and who miraculously survived a lifetime of battles and escapades that Hollywood would be hard put

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to match - and it was all totally true and factual. That apart, my task was made easier because I was able to understand, respect, empathise and take a strong liking to my long dead subject.

Q: What book are you working on now? Please tell us a wee bit about it.

A: Field Marshal James Keith was born and brought up just some two miles from where I live and, incredibly, Tsar Peter the Great of Russia had another soldier who was born just some five miles

from where I live as his right hand man...his name was General Patrick Gordon. Most of my research on Gordon has been completed, and I have made a few false starts on his story, perhaps because I have been re-elected to the Council and do not have the same amount of time and because Gordon has yet to come through to me as a person in the way that James

Keith did. It has been quite a bit more difficult to research in that Keith was born in 1696 and Gordon 1635. The farther we go back in time, the harder it gets to find out the facts and crosscheck them.

Q: Thank you for being so cooperative with me regarding the book review and this chat.

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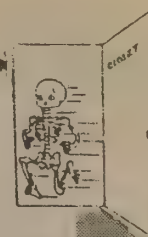
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Who were the Black Irish?

One theory is that in 1588 the Spanish armada, having been defeated by the British, went east and then north. They made landfall in Ireland and did the usual things conquistadores did at that time - looted, pillaged, and raped the local women. The offspring of their activities in Ireland, who have dark hair, are referred to as Black Irish.

Black Irish can also indicate those who came as immigrants from other places (generally England) and sometimes their names were noted as such: *Fitz* as in Fitzwilliam - the English king gave land to those who could hold it, take it and keep it. The black part was not referring to skin or hair or even eye color; it was indication of *blaggard*, a negative connotation.

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1 lb. potatoes

1 lb. white cabbage, spring cabbage or kale

1 med. onion or the white part of two leeks, finely chopped

3 oz. butter

A little heavy cream

2 oz. sharp cheddar cheese

Chopped fresh chives

Black pepper and salt to taste

Directions: Slice the potatoes thickly and boil in a little salted water. Once cooked, drain and mash the potatoes. Slice the cabbage and boil gently in salt water. Do not over cook! Melt the butter in a heavy bottomed pan and cook the onion or leeks. Once soft right through, add the cooked potatoes and cabbage. Add a little cream, season to taste and beat together. Place the mixture in an oven-safe dish, cover with grated cheddar cheese and place under a hot grill or oven to brown. Makes four (4) servings.

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International Hunter and Muirhead Clan Gathering will be held at Hunterston Castle

News regarding the Hunter and Muirhead Clan Gathering at Hunterston Castle has been received from Madam Pauline Hunter, Chief of Clan Hunter. The Gathering will be held August 6-8, 2004 and booking is needed in advance. Charges will be £20 per person for the weekend, £10 for children ten and under.

Registration will be Friday, August 6th, with the Opening Ceremony to be held that evening.

Christine Scouller is the Gathering coordinator and may be contacted by post: Hunterston Castle, West Kilbride, Ayrshire, KA23 9QG; Scotland, United Kingdom. Call 011 44 01294-82.



The Scottish Adventures of Dick and Chris

Dick Lucas



Photos by Dick Lucas

Chris and I go to Scotland every January to the "Made in Scotland Trade Show", which is held in Glasgow at the Scottish Exhibition & Conference Centre.

The centre is located on the bank of the river Clyde and next door to the building affectionately called the Armadillo as it looks something like one of those creatures. The Armadillo is used for concerts and similar events. Attending the trade show to find new products from Scotland is the reason that most of our adventures are in the winter and as I have mentioned before we can go places and not have to fight big buses and crowds of people as well as going places buses and tours don't go.

We are leaving in a few days for our next adventure but our original plans had to be changed. The main island in the Shetlands has a Viking festival at the end of January called Up Helly Aa which is held in the village of Lerwick.

We decided to go and found out the best way to get there is by over night ferry from Aberdeen. I checked on ferry schedules and places to stay in the Shetlands and this is the first time I could not find a place to stay. I tried the web and called the tourist information office on the island and all that was available was a very expensive hotel so we cancelled our plans.

There are plenty of B&Bs but they were all filled up for the entire week. Some friends that live near Lerwick have promised to get us a reservation for next year and we are making plans to go next year.

I tell you this because if you plan on going you need to start making plans now for next January. I wrote about our trip to Kilmartin Valley not long ago but I want to tell you about why we ended up there instead of Iona.

We always hit the ground running and get out of Glasgow

as soon as we can to miss all the rush traffic and we were headed for Oban.

Our first stop is always at an inn in Crianlarich which was built in 1705 for drovers. They have a small pub which always has a coal fire burning and some locals in the pub. It is good place to take a short break if you are traveling up A82 along the west side of Loch Lomond.

We were running late so we decided to spend the night at the inn and Chris asked for the haunted room. Every place that caters to Americans have discovered that we love ghosts and so all of them now have a ghost, I think in many cases invented for our benefit. We stayed in the ghost room but she didn't show up, it was supposed to be a 5 year old girl that died of fever in the room. Chris stayed up all night to see her but she never appeared.

We lollygagged the next morning and missed the early ferry to Mull but caught one that afternoon and it was on the way to Mull that an announcement was made that the ferry to Iona was canceled due to a storm. We stayed on Mull that night and the next day and since we still couldn't get to Iona we decide to explore Mull. We took the single carriage road,

B8035, on the West side of Mull and it was absolutely beautiful, even in the winter.

We had left at noon so we didn't have the time to explore the entire West side of the island. We had to get to Tobermory so we only got to see about half of island. I wanted to see a man that carved walking sticks so we called him and went up to his home to look at his work.

He also had a place to rent which was self catering so we took it for the night.

We went down to local's favorite pub for dinner, only two places were open for dinner, and it was full of local people. The owner is about 90 and is there every night keeping an eye on his pub. We enjoyed the meal and the visit with the local people and found out more about the village. Tobermory is a relative new village having been founded in the 1700s although it is thought to have been a settlement for many years due to their safe harbor.

Their big claim to fame is that a Spanish ship from the armada sought shelter there in the 1500s and was sunk. Macdonald of the Isles has salvage rights to the ship but they have not found it as of now and only the Macdonalds can

search for it.

The Spaniards were absorbed by the local Scots and many of the people living there now have Spanish blood in them.

Chris and I spent most of the next day shopping in the several small shops along the harbor. You may recognize the village from the many pictures of the village and its many colored buildings. It was here I found 2 videos I have looked for along time. One is called *I Know Where I'm Going* and was filmed on the island in the 1940s. The other is *Whiskey Galore* which was filmed near there.

We enjoyed the day we spent at Tobermory and again we were the only tourist we saw. Later that day we drove back to Graignure and took the

ferry back to Oban.

I will end this with a story told to us by a local resident.

There is a wee island just off the West coast of Mull and it is called Inch Kenneth. The story that was told was three sisters lived in a large four story home on the island during WWII but were not very popular and kept to themselves as one was a Nazi, one was a Fascist, and one was a Communist. We saw the home on Inch Kenneth from Mull as it was not very far off the west coast of Mull. During our short tour of the west side of Mull we had snow, rain, wind, and sunshine all in the three hours we were on the road and only met one car on the road.

If you ever do one thing in your life, go to Scotland, rent a car and have an adventure. ●



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107th edition Burke's Peerage, Baronetage & Knightage launched in London December 11

Thursday 11th December saw the launch of the 107th edition of *Burke's Peerage, Baronetage & Knightage*. At a champagne reception in central London, over seventy people congregated to celebrate the book's arrival and view the very first copies, hot off the press.

Last published in 1999, editors and technical staff worked for almost two years to complete this updated and expanded edition.

Welcoming the assembled guests, Publishing Advisor, Gordon Prestoungrange, Baron of Prestoungrange thanked everyone involved in the project and outlined company aims for 2004 and beyond. With a series of printed regional volumes, a new book on chivalric orders and substantial additions to *Burke's Peerage & Gentry* online database, the Burke's team can look forward to a busy though productive time.

Editor-in-Chief, Charles Mosley's keynote speech, likened production of the three-volume reference work to giving birth to triplets: "It was not an easy task to get it (the 107th) ready. The gestation period alone, and the prolonged labour of us, the obstetricians, particularly my old friend and accomplished forceps-wielder Hugh Peskett, shows that."

Charles went on to describe the new arrivals as: "red complexioned, like so many babies, but with an inbuilt fund of information and already house-trained."

Among the guests were Sir Bob Balchin, Registrar of the Imperial Society of Knights

Bachelor; June Perrin, Acting Director of the Society of Genealogists; Mike O'Keefe, Custodian of the Official Royal Image Library; John Whittingdale, MP; Phil Reed, Director of the Cabinet War Rooms and Keith Madeley, Chairman of the Yorkshire Society. Given the size and production cost of the publication, the 107th edition will be the last ever in print with future updates continuing at Burke's online database at www.burkes-peerage.net. Amazing attention to detail by Charles Mosley and his team ensures that the 107th edition will stand the test of time and be appreciated by all who love British tradition and family history.

Did you know? The 107th edition of *Burke's Peerage, Baronetage & Knightage* cost around £1,000,000 to produce and took two years to compile.

The publication runs to almost 5,000 pages. Each set weighs 10.5 kilos. 120,000 living people are featured in the book.

The publication contains around 2,500 articles on titled families, 3,200 Knight's articles, 140 on Scottish Chiefs (some 60 of which are either hitherto unpublished or substantially augmented), scores of Scottish feudal barons. And 14 articles covering Irish Chiefs.

Entrants include people linked to historic families, the military, politics, the arts, industry, education and much more.

The oldest family in the book is unquestionably O'Neill (pages 3003 + 3009) dating back to the fifth century AD, the oldest family in western Europe.



A few facts...about computer ills

A **virus** is usually a stand-alone program that performs destructive or other malicious or annoying actions. Destructive actions can vary from erasing or modifying the contents of files or sectors on a hard or floppy drive to a complete destruction of data on an entire media.

Some viruses can destroy Flash Bios of certain types of motherboards and that will make an affected computer unbootable.

Certain viruses can disable keyboard or mouse or only specific keys on a keyboard. Other viruses can disable certain features of an operating system.

A few viruses perform annoying actions like changing position of icons on a desktop or showing video effects that makes a system hardly usable. Which then infects the applications that are transferred to other computers.

A **computer worm** is a self-replicating computer program, similar to a computer virus. The main difference between the two is that a virus attaches itself to, and becomes part of, another executable program, while a worm is self-contained, it does not need to be part of another program to propagate itself. In addition to replication, a worm may be designed to do any number of things, such as delete files on a host system, or send documents via email.

Contact Mike Rose for answers to most common computer or program problems at mjrose@uneedspeed.net.

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In 1999 it emerged publicly that one Terence MacCarthy of Belfast and Morocco, who claimed to be an Irish Chief, 'The MacCarthy Mór, Prince of Desmond', was in fact an impostor.

There have been and there will no doubt continue to be many bogus claimants to Gaelic Chiefships, but what distinguishes the MacCarthy Mór case is the fact that the Office of the Chief Herald of Ireland had recognised MacCarthy as a Chief in 1992.

Before explaining how this state of affairs had arisen, let us take a brief look at the history of Irish chiefship.

Following the completion of the English conquest of Ireland in the sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries, the independent political structures of Gaelic Ireland were brought to an end.

Put simply, centralising Tudor monarchs such as Henry VIII and Elizabeth I would not tolerate power structures which might threaten their authority.

After Elizabeth's death in 1603 the succession to the English throne of the Scottish monarch James I, defeated Gaelic lords such as O'Neill and O'Donnell hoped for a time to come to terms with the new

to remember that the political structures of Gaelic Ireland had ceased to be.

The English had paid special attention to ending the Gaelic method of appointing Chiefs of their ruling families, and indeed insisted that they surrender their Gaelic titles and rights and accept English ones instead.

Hence, for example, O'Brien became Earl of Thomond and O'Neill became Earl of Tyrone.

The Gaelic system of appointing Chiefs or leaders was called 'Tanistry' by the English. The word itself is derived from the Gaelic *Tánaiste*, which effectively means Chief-in-waiting or successor to the serving Chief. In contrast to the English and feudal system of primogeniture, whereby the eldest son succeeds to office, under the Irish Brehon Law system the right to appoint a new Chief lay with the extended kin group or *derbfine*, pronounced 'der-vi-neh', with a short 'i'.

The *derbfine* was composed of the male descendants of a common great-grandfather, and its choice was not limited to the eldest son of a serving Chief, although of course he could be and not infrequently was selected to succeed his father.

the eldest son had made some headway in Gaelic areas.

Although there is much talk of Irish 'Clans' and 'Clan Chiefs', it is also important to remember that the Irish did not have a clan system exactly like the Scots, despite the many elements of Gaelic culture common to both countries.

The term 'clan' is best reserved for the Scottish kin-based unit, while the anglicised term 'sept' is more appropriate for the more disparate and less feudalised kingroup system of the Irish.

The great authority on Irish surnames, Edward MacLysaght, advised against the use of the term 'clan' in the Irish context, but his words have been little heeded.

In the wake of the collapse of the Gaelic order, and despite the fact that chieftdom as a real political institution had ceased to exist, nevertheless a small number of families continued to claim the titles, prominent examples including Mac Dermott and O'Connor Don. Probably in imitation of Scottish practice, the custom grew of affixing the definite article before the names of Irish Chiefs, for example, The O'Brien, but in Gaelic no prefix was used, hence Ó Briain.

It is important to stress that



Meeting of Irish Chiefs with President Mary Robinson at Áras an Uachtaráin in 1991 (Terence MacCarthy far left)

number of individuals laid claim to chiefly titles, including The O Mahony and The O Rahilly.

Alas, these gentlemen appear to have fallen victim to wishful thinking and fantasy, for no satisfactory genealogical evidence was produced to justify their claims.

At the same time there was increasing interest in organising Irish 'Clans', and this culminated in the 1950s in the activities of the enthusiastic but not very scholarly Eoin 'The Pope' O'Mahony.

In 1943 Edward MacLysaght was appointed as head of the Genealogical Office and some years later Chief Herald of Ireland, both positions being attached to the National Library of Ireland. MacLysaght took it upon himself to endeavour to regulate Chiefly titles, in an effort to counter the significant number of questionable Chiefs then active, including a bogus O'Brien, Prince of Thomond.

Now it can be argued that MacLysaght's intervention was inappropriate in a country which was well on the way to becoming a Republic, but then as now, there was a pressing need to exert some control over the activities of fakes and fantasists.

In 1944, MacLysaght established a system of 'courtesy recognition' of Irish Chiefs, as of course formal recognition of titles is forbidden by the 1937 Constitution.

Continued next issue...

Peers' bible says hail to the chiefs

A new edition of Burke's Peerage, the aristocrats' bible, for the first time lists all Scotland's living clan heads. It reveals that of the 139 men and women recognized as heading their traditional extended families, 60 now live abroad or elsewhere in the United Kingdom. Of those, 41 live in England and 19 overseas. If you're interested in the full article on the new publication, or in ordering a copy for yourself, visit <<http://www.scotlandonsunday.com/index.cfm?id=1415172003>>.



Frank Shaw

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Is there a final word you would like to leave with our readers?

A: I suppose everyone at some time or another feels they have a book to write, a story to tell. My advice is to just get on with it and don't be distracted or put off from the task by either a seemingly blank wall in the research or the relatives who look knowingly at each other across the room and murmur, "Ah, yes, of course, a book..." (1/10/2004)

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Author's note January 2004: In July 2003, Chief Herald O'Donoghue decided, with Government approval, to abandon the system of according courtesy recognition to Irish chiefs, on the grounds that there is no statutory or legal basis for the practice.

While many applauded this decision on grounds of pragmatism, the more thoughtful wondered if it was not just a convenient washing of hands, which may make it even easier for bogus chiefs to flourish in the future.

order. Alas, they found that they could not, and in 1607 departed Ireland from Lough Swilly with their followers in the famous 'Flight of the Earls'.

Of course Gaelic influences, particularly in the cultural sphere, survived these catastrophes, and continue to the present day, but it is important

While primogeniture generally made for smoother succession, Tanistry could be a cause of instability and conflict, as different power groups within the *derbfine* struggled for ascendancy.

Indeed some historians have claimed that the system of primogeniture or succession of

most Irish Chiefly titles fell into disuse, and indeed war, flight abroad and destruction of records meant that most aristocratic Gaelic lineages became obscured from the seventeenth century onwards.

In the course of the Gaelic revival of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, a



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St. Andrew's Society Detroit launches website

St. Andrew's Society of Detroit is pleased to announce it has launched the official website for the Society's 154th Annual Highland Games - <www.highlandgames.com>.

The St. Andrew's Society Highland Games event is the longest continually running Highland Games in North America. Live many years, this year's event will be held at Historic Greenmead, 20501 Newburgh Rd. in Livonia (at 8 Mile Rd.). For more information, please visit <www.highlandgames.com>.



Chapman Family holds reunion in Missouri

The Chapman Family Association will hold its Fourth Annual Convention and Reunion May 14-16, 2004 at the Kansas City Missouri Airport Hilton. The convention will consist of a family business meeting, a variety of workshops and research sessions and local tours.

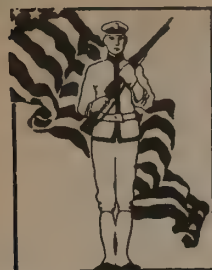
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Edith Wagner,

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(1999, Lowell House, Los Angeles) in bookstores.

List your reunion (also free) by emailing info to <reunions@execpc.com>. If you wish to receive a monthly newsletter or reunion information and resources, send your request to <reunions@execpc.com>.



World War I Military Cross presented to Clan Urquhart

Clan Urquhart had the good fortune recently of acquiring for its permanent collection the silver George V Military Cross which was awarded to Captain Lewis Urquhart, 6th Battalion, the King's Own Scottish Borderers, in September 1918.

Lewis Urquhart, whose home was in Inverness, joined the Scots Greys when the First World War broke out. His great ability earned him a commission in the King's Own Scottish Borderers where he was promoted to Captain. During an attack in Belgium in September 1918, Captain Urquhart was badly wounded in the leg. In spite of his wound, he led his company to the objective assigned to it and only allowed himself to be assisted to the field hospital after he was sure that his men were safely dug in at their new position. For his conspicuous gallantry and "fine pluck and devotion to duty," he was awarded the Military Cross, one of Britain's highest military awards.

Captain Urquhart's Military Cross was offered for sale on e-bay, the internet auction website, in June 2003. The Chief and his Senachie, Robert Jeffrey Urquhart, decided that this historic Urquhart artifact was of such exceptional interest and value to the Clan that every effort should be made to acquire it. The provided the necessary financial backing for Robert Jeffrey Urquhart to make the successful bid for the Military Cross. They then asked the Clan Urquhart foundation to acquire it for the Clan. The Foundation voted to do this at its Annual Meeting in July. Thus, though funds provided by the Foundation, a valuable Urquhart historical artifact has been added to the permanent collection of the Clan.

We have a "miracle in the making" that could save *The Family Tree*!

We have a real "miracle in the making" although because of USPS regulations, I can't really write much about it here.

We have an event, that if it is successful, can raise \$16,000 for this little paper! Along with our Postage Heroes and advertising revenue, this would make the difference for us. The event will be called *The Family Tree Cruisin' - Kilts in the Wind*.

The event is planned for September 18-25, 2004.

Speakers planned include Alastair McIntyre from <electricscotland.com>; Frank Shaw with his marvelous book reviews and his knowledge of Robert Burns; the music of Colin Grant-Adams; speeches and presentations by your editor; and the wit and humor and wisdom of Ludlow Porch from The Funseekers Network!

We hope Wacko's from Ludlow's program and also members of Clan MacBubba will be there as well as readers and friends of *The Family Tree*.

Caberdancer, the originators of the great Clan MacBubba, plans to attend as well!

We are working to have complete details and information ready in the next few weeks. We will have a brochure for you in the next few weeks as well. If you would like complete details, please visit <electricscotland.com> and click on *The Family Tree*...and then look at our index page for "Miracle in the Making!"

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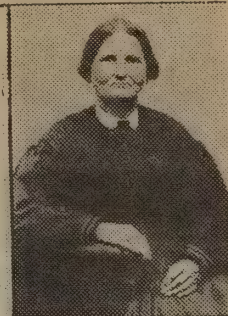
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That the word infant once meant any person under 21?

That the word domestic once meant housewife?

That the word mister in the early days was applied only to men of wealth or education?

That tithing once meant towns?

That son-in-law meant stepson as well as husband of the daughter?

That in 1619 one hundred children from the London slums were sent as apprentice workers to Virginia and that many of these grew up to become the founders of plantations, businesses, universities, libraries and other great establishments?

Marietta Confederate Cemetery worth maintaining, supporters say

There hasn't been a burial at the city's Confederate Cemetery in 14 years, but preservationists say the final resting place of many Civil War era soldiers is worth maintaining.

Longtime Marietta resident Charlie Brown said the South's fallen fighters were brought to mind as Americans celebrated Veterans Day from Tuesday. "They're veterans just like we are," said Mr. Brown, a World War II veteran. "We're still very much in debt to those people."

"The Confederate Cemetery is home to more than 3,000 Confederate soldiers, most of whom died in the Battle of Chickamauga in northwest Georgia," said City Councilwoman Betty Hunter, president of the city's cemetery foundation. An accurate total of people buried there is unknown because of conflicting historical data.

The cemetery contains the remains of Lorenzo Dow Grace, who was the oldest living Confederate veteran when he died at age 114 in 1928. "It also contains the remains of William H. 'Bill' Yopp, a black slave who fought for the Confederacy," Ms. Hunter said.

"He was befriended by a lot of his fellow veterans," she said. "He used to polish their

shoes and bring them gifts at Christmas."

The cemetery no longer regularly accepts remains, as all Confederate veterans have long since died. The cemetery's last burial was in 1989, when workers discovered the body of a Confederate veteran while building a house in west Cobb County.

The cemetery foundation is trying to raise \$2 million for a vast improvement project at the site, which would include new walkways, benches and monuments, as well as a new plaza with flags of each of the Confederate states.

"We really need to preserve this Cemetery and make it a show place for our community," Mr. Brown said.

Website for more information: http://www.mariettasquare.com/confederate_cemetery.html. Also do a subject search "Confederate cemeteries" for a good listing of websites related to the topic. I have added a folder of Confederate Cemeteries to the vertical file cabinet in the Reference Room at the Hart Country Library.

Our thanks for this article to the *Savannah River Valley Genealogical Society Newsletter*, P O Box 895, Hartwell, GA 30643.



Clan Johnston/e in America elects new officers for new year

Jeffrey Johnstone, FSA Scot, of Rochester, New York, has been elected president of Clan Johnston/e in America. Jeff takes over from Arthur Johnston, FSA Scot, who retired after serving the clan society in this capacity for the past seven years. Arthur will remain on the Council as past president, and will continue in his role of Chief Commissioner to Lord Annandale in North America.

Also elected was a new vice president-east, Bartlett Johnston of Underhill, Vermont. Bartlett filled the spot left vacant after Jeffrey Johnstone's appointment as president.

One of the most important announcements made during the meeting was the new classification of Clan Johnston/e in American as an tax exempt organization under the Internal Revenue Service's Section 501(c)(3). As a charitable organization, gifts made to the organization are now deductible for income, gift and tax purposes.

Clan Johnston/e's next event is the much anticipated International Gathering to be held in Moffat, Dumfriesshire, Scotland in June 2004. The event will feature a luncheon and tour at the home of the Clan's Chief, The Right Honourable The Earl of Annandale and Hartfell, Patrick Andrew Wentworth Hope Johnstone of Annandale and of That Ilk, and hosted by the Earl and Lady Annandale.

It was also agreed that the 2004 Annual General Meeting would be held in Estes Park, Colorado, September 10, 11 and 12, in conjunction with the Longs Peak Scottish/Irish Highland Festival, one of the premier games of the country. Clan Headquarters will be The Inn at Estes Park.

For full information, contact billyet@juno.com.

Online Welsh course may be offered

The Madog Center for Welsh Studies at the University of Rio Grande is considering offering an online Welsh course if enough demand for the course exists.

The Welsh Language spoken in Wales is the oldest living language in Europe. It developed from its mother tongue, "Brythoneg" (British) in the 6th century AD. It is spoken today in Wales by at least 20% of the population.

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However, the Welsh language has not fared so well.

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Ulster Roots....



Richard K. McMaster



Continued from our last issue...

Within a few days of their arrival the churches of Charleston were collecting money for the relief of the survivors. The fund "for the Relief of the poor Irish people at Barracks" soon amounted to more than 160 pounds sterling. (South Carolina Gazette, June 29, 1767.) The response of the city was generous, according to Nathaniel Russell who described the situation in a letter to the Rev. Ezra Stiles. He said "The Church Wardens immediately carried about subscriptions to raise a sum of money for their relief & in two days had upwards of two hundred pound sterling subscribed exclusive of Blankets, Linen, Cloaths, & every necessary that the sick and naked stood in need of." Russell blamed the *Nancy's* owners who had been "very anxious to procure as many passengers as possible" and "Instead of two hundred (Which was the most they could bring with comfort) they brot out 450 & their agreement was for 19 inches room in width for each person but they scarcely had seven." Russell's estimate is obviously too high on both counts, an 80-ton ship could not accommodate 200 passengers with any comfort and 450 would be too many under any conditions. (Nathaniel Russell to Rev. Ezra Stiles, July 19, 1767. [Gratz Collection. Historical Society of Pennsylvania.] as cited in Warren B. Smith, *White Servitude in Colonial South Carolina*, Columbia, S.C., 1961, 42.)

These Ulster folk were not passive victims. They quickly prepared a petition to the Governor and Council outlining the mistreatment they had from Captain Samuel Hannah and the ship's owners. Hannah "not only nipped them of the provisions allowed them but heaped them one upon the other, to such a degree in their births that it must be absolutely impossible they should survive." He was guilty of other acts of cruelty, on one occasion having Robert Peacock dropped from the yard-

arm into the sea three times as a punishment for complaining. (Robert Peacock, 37, his children, Henry, 14, Susannah, 11, and Mary, 3, reached Charleston; his wife and other children may have been among those who died at sea.) Their petition was read and entered into the Council Journal July 10, 1767.

Their story compelled Governor Montagu, with the backing of his Council, to suspend payment of money due to the *Nancy's* owners. On the same day Torrains and Poaug and their attorney claimed that Captain Hannah had sailed for Philadelphia with the bounty money advanced by their firm in expectation that South Carolina would reimburse them. In January 1768 the Governor recommended to the Assembly that no money be paid since the *Nancy's* owners had caused South Carolina large expenses in caring for the survivors by their avarice in overcrowding the ship. In March a committee of the Assembly came to the same conclusion after interviewing some of the survivors. They decided against paying Wills and Jackson, since "their Covetous and Avaricious views to which they had Sacrificed every Sentiment of Humanity and Principle of Justice ought to be disappointed not only as a Punishment for their Offence, but to Discourage and prevent in futuresuch gross Impositions and abuse whereby the Public Bounty and Liberality instead of procuring the good and welfare of these people, and the Settlement of the Frontier parts of the Province, its only object, have been made Subservient only to Selfish and interested views, and Instrumental in the hands of Artful and designing Men of bringing the greatest Misfortunes upon them."

The committee was never able to get a straight answer from Torrains and Poaug as to whether they had lost money by their transactions with Captain Hannah. The total amount of bounty money due Wills and

Jackson was 6,104 pounds sterling, a substantial sum. No eighteenth-century merchant would, or could, give Hannah that much money in cash. If they advanced him the bounty money, it would have been by a bill of exchange on London, on which, like a modern check, they could stop payment.

In May John Torrains and his lawyer appeared before the Assembly armed with affidavits "to prove that the ship *Nancy* was of a Sufficient burthen to accommodate the Passengers who came in her from Ireland, And also that the said Passengers had on their arrival in this Province acknowledged that they were well treated by Capt. Hannah on their Voyage to this Province." After hearing their arguments, the Assembly called in "Some of the Persons who came Passengers in the Ship *Nancy*, Capt. Hannah, from Ireland, who were attending at the Door of the House." Philip Brackenride, James Lewis, and James Vaughn gave evidence according to the Assembly Journal. The passenger list submitted to the Council gave their names as Philip Bracking, 39, James Lewers, 18, and James Lawfin, 32. The Assembly promised to continue the hearing the following Monday, but the session ended abruptly the same day.

Nancy's owners had not given up. They had fresh petitions when the Assembly reassembled in November 1768. They also enlisted other merchants to plead their case. Wills and Jackson had dealings with John and Hamilton Pringle of Newry and Philadelphia; William Fisher of Philadelphia was a business associate of the Pringles. He appealed to Henry Laurens of Charleston to use his influence in behalf of the *Nancy's* owners. Laurens wrote back to his friend Fisher: "If you knew the whole affair, it would make your humanity shudder. I have been largely concerned in the African Trade; Iquitted the Profits arising from

that gainful branch principally because of many acts, from the Masters & others concerned, toward the wretched Negroes from the time of purchasing [in Africa] to that of selling them again, yet I never saw an instance of Cruelty in ten or twelve Years experience in that branch equal to the Cruelty exercised upon those poor Irish, who were the subject of Mr. Jackson's former application." Laurens went on to say that "Self Interest prompted the Baptized Heathen in the first case to take some care of the wretched Slaves for a Market, but no other care was taken of those poor Protestant Christians from Ireland but to deliver as many as possible alive on Shoar upon the cheapest terms, no matter how they fared upon their Voyage nor in what condition they were landed."

In a last desperate move Robert Wells and William Ray of Belfast, Merchants and Partners, sent a petition to the Earl of Hillsborough, Colonial Secretary, asking him to compel the South Carolina authorities to pay them what was owed them. They claimed that their ship the *Nancy* was "of the burthen of 300 tons and upwards" well suited to convey 300 passengers across the Atlantic. They

said that "at a very Expence they employed Carpenters and other proper Workmen to make necessary partitions for the reception of the said Settlers" and provided more than adequate food and a chest of medicines. All the passengers were "well satisfied with their accommodations," except one Macdowall who went ashore before the ship sailed. Wells and Ray claimed that "in the Course of the Voyage which continued about Six Weeks, a Fever appeared amongst the Passengers, of whom about thirty died." They implied that they shared no responsibility for disease on shipboard.

The *Nancy* sailed from Charleston for Philadelphia July 2, 1767 and cleared Philadelphia bound to Jamaica in the West Indies August 20, 1767. She returned to Philadelphia with rum and molasses to take on a flaxseed cargo for Belfast. Wills and Jackson advertised *Nancy* to sail on or about November 15, 1767, but, because of delays in loading and ice in the Delaware, she did not leave Philadelphia until February 1768. Captain Hannah sailed into Belfast Lough almost a full year after he left for South Carolina.

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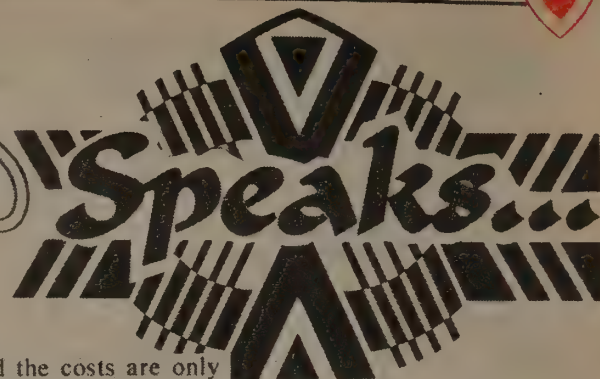
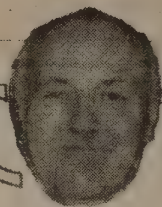
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Alastair McIntyre

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I have arrived in the USA for a 3 month stay and thought you might be interested in my impressions and some comparisons with Scotland.

I am staying with Steve and Deb May in Kentucky up a Hollow (Hollar as they say here). Deb was telling me about some of the history of the area and I was struck by the similarities between this area and the Highlands of Scotland.

Deb's Great Grandfather had purchased the Mayfork Hollow and over the generations part of the land has been given to succeeding generations to build homes on. This of course is what happened in the Highlands of Scotland.

I can well see in another two generations the land is going to get increasingly scarce so it may well be that history repeats itself in Kentucky.

Of course many Scots and Scots-Irish have settled in the area so in many ways the culture is similar although different.

I've talked before about how in the old days in Scotland

being a good community member was important and this has been carried over to Kentucky where I am living. People are very friendly and are happy to help their neighbours. Crime rates are also quite low.

My initial impression was that almost all homes are built of wood with almost no stone built homes which is a lot different from Scotland.

I also noted that where in Scotland we tend to plant hedges and build fences around our properties - and that is very rare in Kentucky where the homes tend to have no boundary between homes.

I was also quite amazed at how close together the houses are built as I'd somehow thought with the vastness of America that they'd have more space between homes and especially up the Hollar!

I had a shopping expedition with Deb and her daughter Laura as they shopped for even more Christmas decorations and presents. I was quite slow getting ready as Deb had pre-

pared a feast of ribs last night for dinner with macaroni cheese with peas, sweet corn and mashed potatoes and they were so delicious I had a second helping. I was thus well weighed down as we started off for the expedition.

I am struck with the hard work it is at Christmas when you have the kind of extended family that Deb and Steve have.

Mind you Deb sure enjoys it... and I suspect Steve does as well despite him complaining about having to put up all them damn lights on the outside of the house <grin>

That is another thing that is very different from Scotland as over there you rarely see decorations on the outside of houses but here it is quite common.

We picked up Laura from her home just a couple of hundred yards further up the Hollow. She kindly showed me around the house which was quite large with a great basement. I was also pointed out several houses for sale in the

area and the costs are only around \$35,000 - \$45,000 so well below what a similar sized house was in Scotland. There are also a great many trailers they use for homes, some 80 feet by 14 feet, but surprisingly large for all that.

I got shown around Deb's fathers trailer and he had two bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms and a large kitchen come living room. Certainly large enough to live in comfortably.

Good trailers can be had second hand for around \$10,000 or less. For all that I'm

told trailers do depreciate quickly whereas homes will appreciate in value. We don't have much in the way of trailer homes in Scotland and even the cheapest houses are now selling for around \$135,000.

Anyway, after seeing around Laura's home we headed down to Williamson, West Virginia, where most of the decent shopping is in the area.

One thing you don't really see are many independent food shops.

In Scotland we always seem to have loads of competing bakeries but here there are none. Similarly we always seem to have a local butcher but here there are also none.

There are other grocery stores other than the huge Wal-Mart store but none of those personal food stores we have in Scotland. I've also noted that there is little lamb available and almost none of our meat pies that we have in Scotland. I haven't found any fresh fish stores either although we are rather far from the sea here in Kentucky.

The prices are not all that different from the UK but some things stand out. For example a loaf of bread costs around \$1.69 here whereas a loaf of bread can be purchased in Scotland for around \$0.30. In Scotland we seem to have a very basic range of food which is considerably cheaper than in

the USA.

I also noted that Heinz is much smaller here than in Scotland where they usually have a huge range of products in the supermarkets. There are certainly a huge range of brands you never come across in Scotland.

I note that here you need to do most things yourself. When purchasing larger items of furniture you need to pick them up yourself whereas in Scotland all stores will deliver them to you. Also when it comes to things like televisions and other equipment you are on your own whereas normally in Scotland you get them delivered and setup for you as part of the deal.

Petrol here is of course considerably cheaper than in the Scotland but of course most of the transport is tied to road traffic and with the huge distances they have to travel it is understandable how they want to retain cheap fuel as long as possible.

While I'm still exploring the area I've also noted that there is quite low pay in the area. Certainly hourly rates are lower than our own minimum wage in Scotland.

My initial understanding of income tax is that there is no substantial difference between our two countries in the total tax bill although we do things very differently.

Here in Kentucky they don't seem to worry much about historic properties as we do in Scotland.

Deb was telling me of a fine historic building in Williamson that was over 200 years old. They wanted to use the land for something else so just tore it down and burned the building. Deb was saying that she and others would have been happy to have got the opportunity of taking some of the wood and fittings but they didn't even

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If you believe there is a remnant of your family left in Poland, or have an unusual surname that permits a generic search, it might be worthwhile to use the database. If there is a hit, you are given the surname, each province in which the name appeared, and the total number of persons with the surname in the particular province.

Read a description of the database on JewishGen at <<http://www.jewishgen.org/jri-pl/slownik.htm>> before using it. You will be navigated through the Polish descriptions at the search site and given insight as to how it was compiled and its potential shortcomings.



Website available for deaths of U.S. citizens in foreign countries

From the earliest days of the republic, one of the duties of U.S. consular officers was to report to the Department of State the names of U.S. citizens who died within their consular districts. These death reports commonly provide acceptable documentation in the English language for causes in which satisfactory proof of an American death might be very difficult to obtain in any other form. URL: <http://www.archives.gov/research_room/genealogy/research_topics/american_deaths_overseas.html>.

Our thanks for this information to *Nuggets from Paradise*, published by the Paradise Genealogical Society, Inc., PO Box 460, Paradise, CA 95967-0460.



Alastair McIntyre,
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get that opportunity.

Given their history is a lot younger than ours it is amazing that this can happen. Certainly you couldn't do that in Scotland or if you did you'd be prosecuted.

In Scotland we have many glens and of course a hollow is the same as a glen. Here in Kentucky there are homes in all the hollows whereas in Scot-

land most of our wee glens have no habitations at all. It's also quite amazing how many small trailer homes and houses there are in those hollows and some in places you can't help wondering how they got there in the first place.

Of course one huge difference is the huge amount of trees here as in Scotland we cut most of our down many generations ago.

All in all I am having a great visit and as always American hospitality is the tops and many thanks to Steve, Deb and their extended family for sharing it all with me including "Quarter Bounce!". This is where you try to bounce a quarter off the table into a shot glass of whiskey and if successful you either get to drink it yourself or nominate another person to drink it which certainly made for a Merry Christmas! :-)

I have been recording some more of my impressions and adding many pictures so if you're interested in reading more you can visit my "Kentucky Journal" at <<http://www.electricscotland.com/alastair/kentucky/index.htm>>

Congratulations to new 2003 Dunvegan Scholarship winners!

The Clan MacLeod Society, through the Dunvegan Foundation, has established three scholarships at St. Thomas Episcopal School in Houston, Texas, i.e., piping, drumming and the Harry M. McLeod Dance Scholarship. The recipients for 2003 are Zach Goodrick, drummer; Carla Gardner, dancer; and Harry Isensee, piper. These young people are receiving their training from some of the best teachers available. Gordon Sampson and Michael Cusack are the Band Directors. Donna McPhee Cusack and Diane McPhee Krugh teach dancing. Also pictured are Douglas Beaton, Regional Vice President of the South Central Region of the Clan MacLeod Society, and Gloria McLeod, Publicist for the Society. The Clan MacLeod Society is privileged to be associated with such fine talent.

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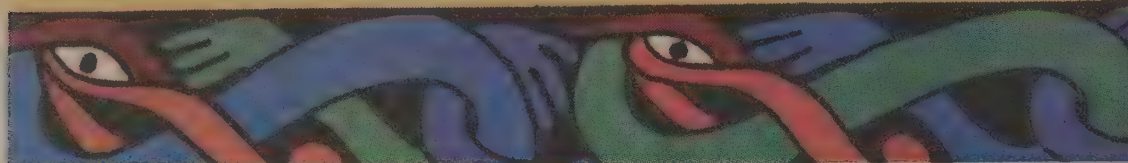
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Chief Chad Smith, R. L. Stevenson, Jr. KTJ, and Deputy Chief Joe Grayson display the New Mexico Tartan at the Township Meeting November 8, 2003.

(See related article, page 6B.)

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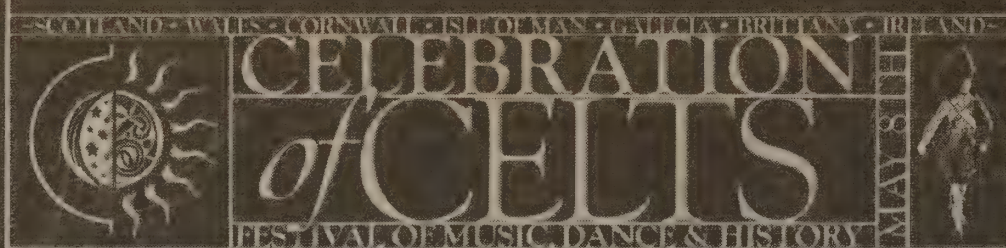
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Harvey Weiss, Ruby Morris, Leonard Rizor & Paula Keen track down that skinny man.

They win nice prizes! You can track him down & win too

Lots of our intrepid Skeleton Hunters followed our boney one to Ludlow Porch's ad in the last issue of *The Family Tree*...to win nice prizes!

Harvey Weiss of Sanford, Maine won a great packet of beautiful Celtic art from Bennett Celtic Art. Ruby Morris of Prineville, Oregon won Carl Peterson's CD *Scotland Remembers the Alamo*. Leonard Rizor of Marshall, Michigan has won a tartan dog collar for his four-legged canine friend from Bonbright

Woolens. Paula Keen of Bradenton, Florida has won a delicious haggis from The Caledonian Kitchen.

Skeleton Hunters have also won subscriptions to *Reunions Magazine*. Those winners include Norah Jelley from Christchurch, New Zealand; H. Gene Baird of Hayden, Alabama; Leonard and Jean Ouellette of Claremont, New Hampshire; Virginia Elrod of Eureka, California; Carl Finley of Denver, Colorado; Jay Beasley of Idaho Falls, Idaho;

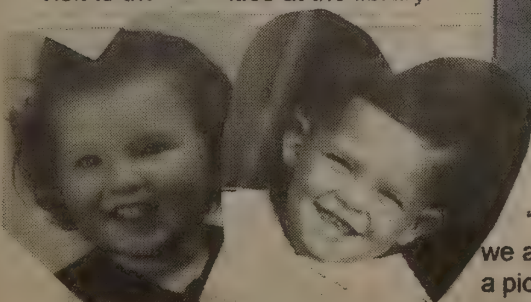
Jane Newton of Forsyth, Georgia; Audrey Howe of Albion, Illinois; Norma St. Clair of Madison, New York and Beverly Scott of Tyler, Texas.

We'll have prizes next time too. Beautiful Celtic Art from Bennett's, a CD from Carl Peterson, a tartan dog collar from Bonbright Woolens and haggis from The Caledonian Kitchen. We'll also have a little box of Celtic goodies from German Hill Farms for our win-

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Narra The Wonder Cat is shown here consulting with her personal piper, Ian Danbury MacNarra, regarding her "personal" appearance at Scottish Weekend 2004. She was dressed up for her formal Valentine's portrait (see above at the right and lower right).

Those who visit Scottish Weekend 2004 will have the opportunity to meet Narra and her Daddy on Saturday morning when she will make a brief visit to the festivities at the library.



Recognize these cuties?

See page 23A to see who they are!



Here's a message to you from Iraq!!!

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Clan McFie history is available on a compact disk - a musical poem

Clan member Jim McFee and his son, Robin McFee, have created a lovely musical history of Clan Macfie that tells how they left their native Scotland and now have a presence throughout the known world. (NOTE: It appears the Catheys left Scotland in the 1600s and migrated to Northern Ireland (Ulster). Later in the early 1700s, they came to the New World (America); now specifically the United States of America, after the country was organized.)

For more information, contact Jim McFee, 17 Caledonia Crescent, Gourrock, Inverclyde, PA19 1UT United Kingdom. Telephone 01275631737; e-mail: <jmcfee@ntlworld.com>.

Postage Heroes come through one more time for *The Family Tree*! Thank you!

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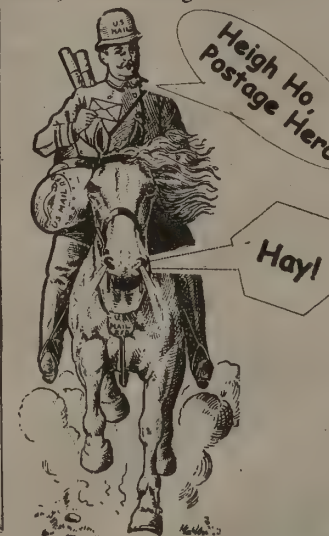
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Up where Jinx used to live in **Illinois**, we had Postage Heroes named



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So glad to hear from our Postage Hero in **Iowa** this time. Thanks to Joan Smith.

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We also heard from Postage Heroes in **Mississippi** named Dena Warth, Regina Ellison, John W. Bailey, Louise Ward, Joan M. Allieu and Thomas L. Wallis. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!!

Many thanks to our friends and Postage Heroes in **Missouri** named M. C. McDonell, Larry R. Whitehead,

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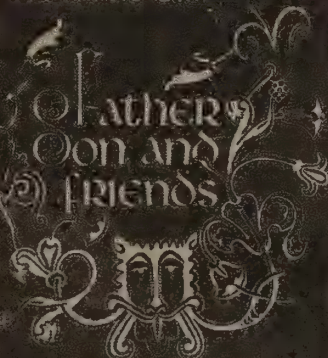
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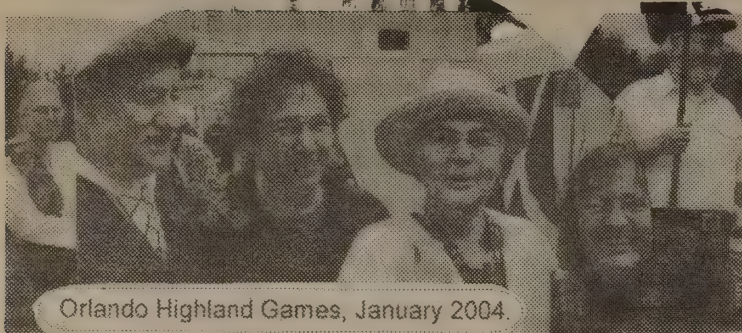
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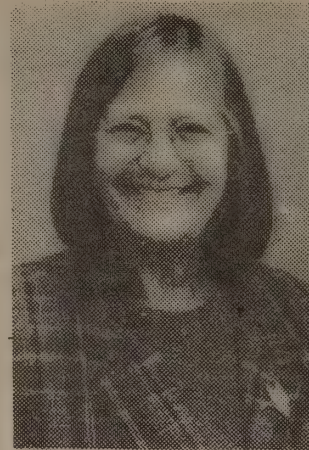
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Orlando Highland Games, January 2004

A letter from your editor.....



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Beth Gay, DGOTJ, KR, FSA Scot...

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Chief, *The Family Tree*.

Boy howdy, do I believe in miracles! They happen here every single day!

I have seen and experienced more miraculous events in the last few months than in my entire life...and folks, miracles do happen.

A couple of miracles happened in my personal life...I'm still here working on *The Family Tree*. Mel - minus a few toes - is still here to supervise happenings at New Elm, Georgia. We both thank everyone for their continuing thoughts and prayers, cards and letters! This getting older is really not as easy as we are told when we are young!

Many miracles have occurred at *The Family Tree* too!

The Stone Mountain Highland Games sent us an unbelievably generous check. I cannot begin to express my appreciation to Gerald Larkey and the Stone Mountain Highland Games Board of Directors for the many kindnesses shown over the years and for their generous financial support as well. Thank you!

Our wonderful friends, Roscoe & Elizabeth McDonald of Milledgeville, Georgia sent along an amazing contribution as they have done for every single year of the life of this paper. Thank you is not adequate.

The Bell Family Association of the United States of America representing Clan Bell in Northern America sent along a most generous contribution too. We thank Dot Stevenson for all of her efforts on our behalf.

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The Scottish Heritage Society of Drayton, South Carolina sent along a check for eleven YEARS of postage!

Mr. Samuel E. McCray of Corpus Christi, Texas sent a very kind contribution, making him a new Super Postage Hero!

Other Super Postage Heroes include Deborah Fantana of Pensacola, Florida; Kyle L. Smith and Carol Smith of Conyers, Georgia; Mrs. W. J. Henderson of Ocilla, Georgia; Woody Bowers of Moultrie, Georgia; Marguerite G. Ham of Plant City, Florida; Mrs. Rebecca M. Jacobs of Las Vegas, Nevada; Joe Ferguson of Toccoa, Georgia; Bonny S. McConnell from South Carolina; Laura Belle & Stuart W. MacRae of Savannah, Georgia; Audrey Phillips of Epworth, Georgia; Dero Ramsey of Starkville, Mississippi; The Tartan Educational and Cultural Association (Thanks, guys!); my dear friend and traveling friend Karen Lomba of Fall River Mills, California; Ms. Elaine S. Galbreath of Silverton, Oregon; and Mary Traynor of LaCanada, California!

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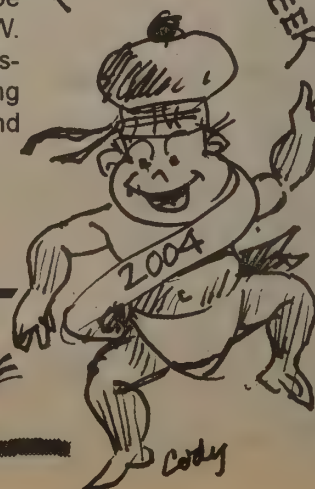
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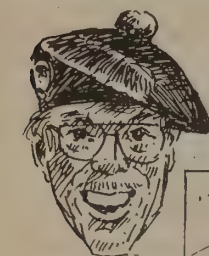
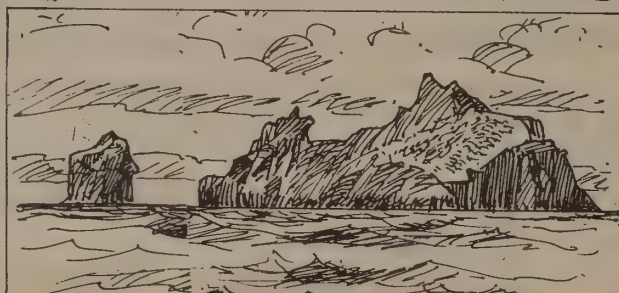
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During the gathering's feast, including traditionally Cherokee "Kanuchi" and other foods, Ralph Stevenson, Jr. KTJ, presented the leaders each with scarves made from the State of New Mexico Tartan and documentation. The red threads in the New Mexico Tartan represents Native Americans as the "Original Cultural Providers" and the gift also bears meaning as John Ross, the Principal Chief for 40 years in the mid-1800s, was of Scottish ancestry.

(See related photo, page 28A)

Did you know Lawrence of Arabia was Welsh?

Nearly all of us have heard of the daring tales of Lawrence of Arabia, the hero of fierce battles in the Arabian desert. Books and movies have told us of his feats as the military leader of wild Bedouin tribes in their struggle for independence from the Turks. Yet, there are facts about Lawrence that some of us do not know.

He was an Oxford scholar, archeologist and author. He wrote *Seven Pillars of Wisdom*, which is still carried in the Penguin books Classics. He also wrote *The Mint*, which chronicled life in the RAF, and translated Le Corbeau's *Gigantesque* and Homer's *Odyssey*.

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Do you know of a contact for Clan O Murchadha or Murphey? Eric W. Murphey does a small newsletter each month and needs some help with this Irish group. If you have any information for him, please contact him through his website <www.murpheysattic.com>.

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Seeking information or relatives of the LEMMEX family. HENRY ELIOTT LEMMEX was born ca 1775 in Belterbet, County Cavan, Ireland. His son, WILLIAM HENRY was

born in British Guiana, 7 Sept. 1805, spent his life in VT as a successful businessman. I wish to contact any members of that family and to obtain information on the family in Ireland. Spelling of the name may vary. Please contact John Lemmex, 968 Essex Lane, Medina, OH 44256.

Paul Cunningham, RR2 Box 443D, Kerkonkson, NY 12446 is searching for the family of JOHN JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM born April 1847, Albany, NY. He had brothers and sisters in the Albany area. He married MARY CAVANAUGH and had children. He served in the Civil War and in Dakota Territory at Ft. Buford 1880-1885. Children: JOHN, DENNIS, MARY, ROSE, MARTHA, GENEVIEVE, JULIA, ANNE.

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John W. Clark, 6902 Star Drive, Austin, TX 78745 (Travis Co) is seeking ancestors and descendants of HENRY CLARK of Edgecombe Co., NC who died late 1784

or January 1785. His spouse was FRANCES; children: CHARLES, HENRY, RICHARD, GRACE (who married JAMES SCARBROUGH), FRANCES, DELIA/DELILAH (who married SAMUEL NARSWORTHY), NATHAN, SEALEY/CELIA. HENRY acquired land in Edgecombe Co., in 1749. Son RICHARD had interests in Sumner Co., TN and moved to Jasper Co., GA by 1810. RICHARD died in Crawford Co., GA ca 1834. There was a GREGORY CLARK in Orangeburg District, SC in 1790 related to the family.

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Mary Frances West Powell, 19201 Plummer Drive, Germantown, MD 20876 wishes to contact West descendants to preserve family history, to determine interest in an annual family reunion in GA/SC? and to locate descendants of JAMES WEST of Bladen Co., NC - some of whose known children were: WILLIS, SARAH WEST MELVIN, JOHN, JAMES, JR. An effort will also be made to solicit (free & unlimited) queries for the quarterly family newsletter.

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Batysons, Littles and Armstrongs, in roughly equal numbers, made up 50 of the Eskdale force.

As every man involved in the Stirling raid would welcome the prospect of a retrospective pardon it is assumed that the men named on the "Pardon List" represent the full fighting strength of each clan or family.

This would apply to the Batysons and Littles but not to the Armstrongs, for only a minority of this large Liddesdale clan dwelt in Eskdale and Ewesdale as vassals of the Earl of Morton, their feudal superior there.

The figure of 104 Littles on the raid has to be qualified for over the seventeen years from 1568 to 1585 an unknown number would have died from natural causes, age, wounds, or violent death.

The only source of recruitment to replace losses would be the boys at about the age of fourteen. A very rough estimate suggests that the clan could not afford to lose from all causes and replace more than four or five fighting men a year. This size of the whole clan including the women, children and the old and disabled would probably have been about 400 souls.

In the following account the Littles have been picked out from the whole list of 600 Eskdale men pardoned for joining the Stirling raid. Note that "in" means that the named Little was the tenant. Other Littles listed were living with a

tenant of a different surname. The notion that all the clansfolk of a given surname lived separately from those of other Names does not hold for Eskdale, where the men seem to have acted as one "Eskdale fighting force," probably led by the powerful and numerous Armstrong clan. Although the landowner was Maxwell, Earl of Morton, there was no Maxwell in the list of Eskdale men. Abbreviations and spellings in 1585 were: brer brother, sone son, sonis sons, als also, thair there.

The Scots plural suffix was "is" rather than the modern "s". The original inconsistent spellings and use of capitals have been followed throughout.

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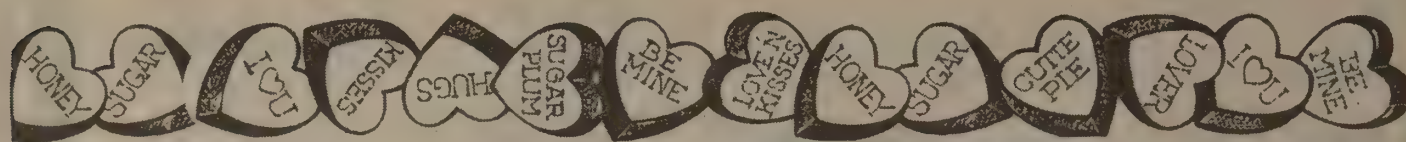
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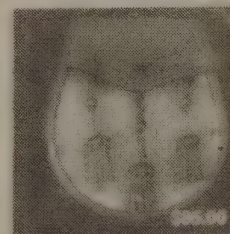
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Mr. Heveran was an active member of Clan Donald USA and served for many years as regional officer. He was also a member of St. John's Catholic Church of Malvern. Bill Heveran was active in community theater and was an audience favorite wherever he performed.

Mr. Heveran was preceded in death by his parents; a step-mother, Rosalie Hedgus Heveran; and a son, Patrick Brian Heveran. Survivors include his wife, Rosie Trimm Heveran of Benton; a son, William Allen Heveran of Benton; a daughter, Debra Ann Adams and her husband, Barton L. Adams, of Benton; two grandchildren, Angela Heather Molander and Anna Rose Gibson and her husband, Mark Gibson; and one great-grandson, Nathaniel Rader Gibson.

Bill Heveran was a great personal friend and a friend of *The Family Tree* as well.

Your editor will never ever forget dancing the polka with Bill at a CDUSA AGM in Milwaukee...and all of the kindnesses shown by the Heveran family!

Rosie and Allen...we love you!

Janet Meeker of Littleton, Colorado, the *Columbine Genealogical & Historical Society Newsletter* quarterly editor, passed away December 7, 2003. Jan was the quarterly editor since April 2002. Shortly after accepting the editor position, she was diagnosed with cancer. Instead of resigning, Jan continued as editor through months of debilitating

chemo. In her short time as editor, she made some creative and innovative changes to the Quarterly, such as the photo cover.

Okie Jasper Folsom, 89, of Fredericksburg, Virginia died on October 29, 2003 at Woodmont Center. Born December 17, 1913, in Anita, Iowa, to Bill and Hallie Folsom, he attended a one-room school in Iowa and Nebraska. In 1939, he married Elvira Farley who preceded him in death in 1944. After moving to Virginia, he worked many years for Pet Dairy Products and Farmer Creamery. Mr. Folsom married Irene McWhirt in 1965, and together they ran Folsome Catering. Survivors include his son William Folsom of Alaska; grandson Aaron Folsome of Alaska; granddaughter Hillary Comeaux of Oregon; and sister Dorothy Andrews of Arizona. He was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Roderick Mackenzie Urquhart OBE, MA, an original member (1982) of the United Kingdom Branch of Clan Urquhart Association, died on June 1, 2003.

Mr. Urquhart is the individual who single-handedly recorded every coat-of-arms of each county, burgh, town and community council in Scotland. His initial magnum opus *Scottish Burgh and County Heraldry* remains the standard text on Scotland's civic heraldry. No sooner was the work published in 1973, than local government reorganized two years later and Roddie's entire work had to be rewritten to cover nine regions, 53 district councils, and three island councils. *Scottish Civic Heraldry* was published in 1979. In 1986, Scotland's Secretary of State further reorganized local government, thus creating for Roddie Urquhart the unexpected task of transforming his two works into a trilogy to cover the heraldry of 32 new councils.

Born on December 6, 1917 in Beaulieu, Inverness-shire, Mr. Urquhart was the son of local

In happier days, Dick Gammon and Alison Atkins Tartan Day last year.

Scottish community loses great friend...

The Rev. Richard Rhea Gammon, 83, died Thursday, Jan. 8, 2004, in Pitt County Memorial Hospital. A memorial service will be conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. Gammon, son of the late Rev. Dr. Samuel Rhea and Clara Gennett Moore Gammon, was a native of Lavras, Minas, Brazil. In 1936 he moved to North Carolina at age 16. He received a B.A. degree from Davidson College and received both his B.D. and master's of theology degrees from Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va. He first served as pastor of two Presbyterian churches in Duplin County for one year, and as supply pastor of Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville for one year. He pastored the First Presbyterian Church in Dunn for 10 years and the First Presbyterian Church in Columbia, Tenn., for three years, prior to moving to Greenville in 1958, where he served the First Presbyterian Church until his retirement in 1985.

After his retirement he was named pastor emeritus, and served as interim pastor for a number of churches in eastern North Carolina. He continued to provide pastoral care for members of this community until his death.

The Rev. Gammon served as director of amateur athletics at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games for a number of years and received the Agnes MacRae Morton Award in 1987. He was a member of the Golden K Kiwanis Club, the New Hope Presbytery and the St. Andrews Society of North Carolina.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Mrs. Flora MacDonald Gammon; two sisters, Mrs. Alice Gennett Coriolano and Miss Willie Humphries Gammon.

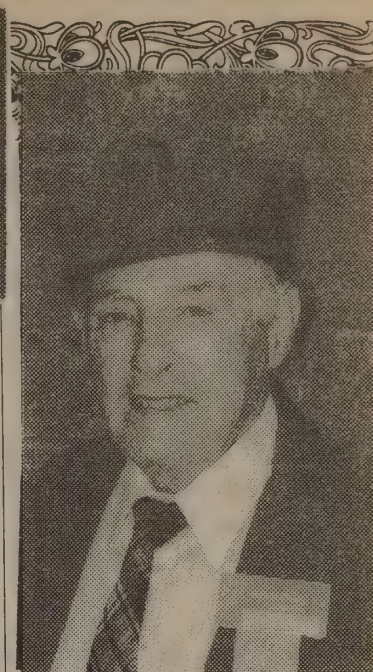
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merchant, Colin Urquhart and his wife Helen, daughter of a Perthshire farm manager. A graduate of St. Andrew's University, Urquhart was appointed to the Colonial Service before returning to the UK at age 34 to become bursar of Sheffield University for 14

years from 1952. In 1966, he moved to Winchester, when he gained the post of secretary and registrar of Southampton University, serving there until retirement in 1978. He was appointed OBE in 1968.

He was predeceased by his wife Christina and is survived



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David J. H. Sinclair was born in Glasgow, Scotland, September 18, 1930. He passed away on September 22, 1003. Donald was a Bay Area resident for 45 years. He was the devoted and loving husband of Mary Frances Sinclair of San Rafael, California; father of Maureen Sinclair of Atlanta, Georgia, and Andrew (Amy) Sinclair of Novato, California; and brother of Gloria (Woody) Atwood of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Donald had a great love of people and travel, and was very active in many social and philanthropic organizations, including the St. Andrew's Society of San Francisco, Clan Sinclair Association, Marines Square Club, Sons in Retirement, British Benevolent Society, Masonic Lodge of San Francisco, and the Marin Irish-American Club.

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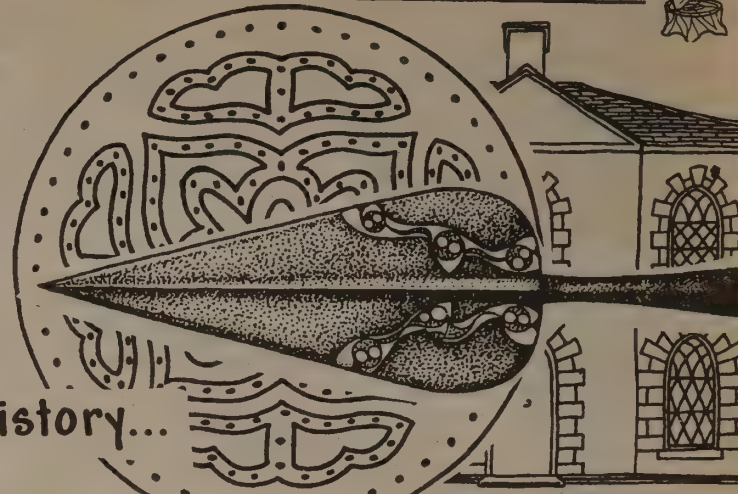
He was well respected and loved by all who knew him and will be greatly missed for so many reasons, not the least of which was his great sense of humor and his famous rendering of Robert Burns' *Address to A Haggis*.



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Galloway...land of beauty, surprises and history...



Galloway, home of the "Belties", the Black Douglasses, John Balliol, Robert Burns, Gretna Green (the destination of eloping couples), Thomas Carlyle (noted writer and historian), Archibald the Grim, Lady Devorgilla, and birthplace of John Paul Jones, "Father of the American Navy" along with Dumfries is the third largest area in Scotland. It also has at its most southwestern point at the end of a peninsula, which juts into the Irish Sea, the Mull of Galloway, which has the distinction of being the southern most point of Scotland.

Its geography varies from

over 200 miles of coastline (where many shipwrecks lie or float) with the topography varying from cliffs to seashores in the west to hilly, rugged terrain in the east.

From its western cliffs you can see Ireland, England, and Wales. Galloway is very rural and its current product is chiefly dairy. It is here that the belted Galloway, known as Belties, was developed in the 16th century. This beef cow is noted for the wide band of white circling its belly with the rest of its body being a black, dun, or red color.

The climate is unusual for Scotland and many beautiful gardens such as Threave Gar-

dens (a popular tourist attraction) are found here.

There are many rivers, lochs, reservoirs, and of course, the long coastline, so fishing is also one of Galloway's industries. Its rivers include the Border Esk, the Annan, Nith, Cree, and Bladnoch as well as smaller rivers such as the Urr, Dee, and the Water of Luce where a fish called tope is found.

I've written earlier about the areas of the Annan (home of the older Bruces) and the Nith.

John Balliol was noted in Scotland's history when he was chosen by Edward I to be king, over Robert the Bruce, after the death of the Maiden of Norway on her way to receive the crown of England.

Apparently both John and Robert were entitled by birth to claim the crown. Both the Galloway and Dumfries area people supported John over Robert.

John swore loyalty to Edward and to England.

Archibald the Grim was a Douglas (the illegitimate son of James, the Douglas entrusted with the heart of Robert the Bruce), born around 1320. He was known as a statesman and soldier. In 1384 he defeated the English at Lochmaben Castle (one of the Bruce's homes) thus clearing Annandale of the last of the English at that time. He held the titles of Lord of Galloway and Earl of Douglas.

To mark the occasion of receiving the title of the Lord of Galloway he built Threave

Castle on an island in the middle of the River Dee. It was here that he died on Christmas Eve, 1400.

Two centuries later the Covenanters besieged the castle and when it was abandoned they caused all floors, iron, and wood to be removed. The remains of the castle still stand on its little island in the Dee in Kirkcudbrightshire in Dumfriesshire.

Lady Devorgilla is best known for carrying her embalmed husband's heart with her until she died. She had an abbey built in New Abbey near Dumfries in his memory. When



she died she was buried there with her husband's heart. The monks subsequently renamed the abbey from New Abbey to Sweetheart Abbey. Lady Devorgilla's tomb can still be seen there.

Robert Burns lived in Galloway for a good part of his life and wrote many of his poems there.

With such a large coastline and with its proximity to Ireland, Galloway was very likely have been the exit point for many Scots fleeing their homes and persecution, famine, etc.

Not much is heard or read about Galloway, but the area has contributed a great deal throughout Scotland's history, just not as vividly nor infamously as the Highlands, Edinburgh, the Borders and other more 'colorful' areas of Scotland.

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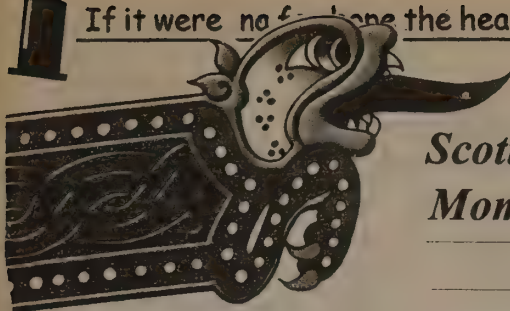
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Crowded with Genius—The Scottish Enlightenment: Edinburgh's Moment of the Mind by James Buchan

Reviewed by Stuart Nixon, Contributing Editor

Novelist and journalist James Buchan wastes no time in laying out the premise for this, the American edition of his latest book. On the first page, he says:

"For a period of nearly half a century, from about the time of the Highland rebellion of 1745 until the French Revolution of 1789, the small city of Edinburgh ruled the Western intellect. For those fifty years, a city that had for centuries been a byword for poverty, religious bigotry, violence and squalor laid the mental foundations for the modern world."

This was the period that produced such Scottish luminaries as philosopher David Hume, economist Adam Smith, geologist James Hutton, chemist Joseph Black, writer James Boswell, poet Robert Burns, and novelist Walter Scott. All of these figures were associated with Edinburgh, as were other men of achievement not as well known today. For Buchan, one question jumps out: How do we explain the emergence of so many talented people in such an out-of-the-way place (ten days by stagecoach from London) in the space of only two generations?

Goodness knows, Buchan reports, there was not much to suggest in the early 1700s that Edinburgh was on the verge of an historic transformation. The city was perhaps best known for its cramped and dirty quarters, whose manifold odors gave rise to the town's nickname: "Auld Reekie." Small wonder, he concludes, that "Jane Maxwell, who in the second half of the eighteenth century became Duchess of Gordon and the leader of Edinburgh society, was once seen riding up the High Street on a sow which her sister drove on with a stick."

Buchan delves into the intricacies of Edinburgh's political, religious, and intellectual life following the union of England and Scotland under one parliament in 1707. Reaction to the union polarized Edinburgh and set the stage for confronta-

tion between forces sympathetic to the new system and forces anxious to throw off Scotland's English yoke and bring back the Royal Family of the previous century. For Edinburgh—the country's capital and seat of the old monarchy—it was a pivotal moment. When Bonnie Prince Charles invaded Scotland in the summer of 1745 and British troops fled Edinburgh, the city was left to its own devices to stand or surrender. As Buchan tells it:

"That is the opening of the story: when the people of Edinburgh saw that, for their purposes, the government of Great Britain no longer existed and they must confront not merely a Highland army but the conundrum of Scots history."

How the story played out is the substance of Buchan's book. By his lights, "the Jacobite Rebellion transformed Edinburgh and accounts for much of what went on in the city during the next half-century." Even as some sentiment lingered for the Prince's doomed cause, the city turned to the future rather than the past for its identity. The Union had held, and with it a vision of new opportunities. As David Hume expressed it, "men [had] fallen into a more civilized

Life, entirely unfit for the Use of Arms."

American readers may not find this book easy going, for Buchan, who lives in England, assumes considerable knowledge of British history in general and Scottish history in particular. If you don't mind the author's frequent references to names, places, titles, and other terminology with which you may or may not be familiar, you will find *Crowded with Genius* an armchair journey well worth taking. Along the way, you will meet Hume, Smith, Boswell, and numerous other parties who put Scotland on the map of Western culture and exert their influence even to the present day. Buchan sums up their legacy as follows:

"In demanding that experimentation, not inherited truth, define the business of living, the Edinburgh philosophers stamped the West with its modern scientific and provisional character. They created a world that tended towards the egalitarian and, within reason, the democratic. Their prestige in English-speaking lands was carried on the wave of British and American expansion to every corner of the world." ●



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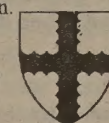
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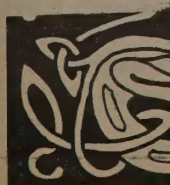
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Did I say the last time we heard from the cheese state of **Wisconsin**? Well, we heard from them again: Margaret E. Zerwekh and Britton Buchanan. Many thanks to you!!!

Then up in the big state of **Wyoming** our Postage Hero is Major Scott McElvain, USAF. Thanks so much!!!

We are so proud to hear from our Postage Hero in **Canada**!!! A big thank you to Donald H. MacDonald in Ontario.

As our last thank you, we would like **Richard G. Boyd from Clan Boyd Society International** (via Pay Pal) to know we greatly appreciate his contribution.



Heraldry and A Grant of Arms course planned for March

The Society of Scottish Armigers is planning a course in March that will instruct individuals in Scots heraldry and Clan law. A Herald from Lyon Court will teach the course, and a certificate will be awarded upon completion.

The Sennachie Course held over a weekend, will consist of three phases. Basic heraldry (blazoning and cadency, etc.), Scots heraldry in itself (grants, designations, etc.) and Clan heritage and law. For instance if your Clan doesn't have a Chief, how you legally obtain one. What are chieftains and heads of houses, and where do they fit in.

There will be a nominal charge to pay expenses for the Herald from Scotland. But the knowledge gained, plus the possibility of an arms grant should make it well worth the cost. Individuals completing the course, with their Chief's endorsement, will be looked upon favorably for a grant of arms from the Lord Lyon. Sites for the meetings are being planned.

For further information email <sennachie@scotarmigers.net> or write: Sennachie, 235 Riverbend Drive, Franklin TN 37064.

Keets Taylor appointed Interim Executive Director

The Board of Directors has appointed Keets F. Taylor, as Interim Executive Director of the Catawba Valley Scottish Society, Inc. (CVSS) and Historic Rural Hill Farm.

Keets and her husband, Dick Taylor, came back to North Mecklenburg in 1992 as volunteers to help organize the Loch Norman Highland Games. As the success of the event has grown so has opportunity. In 1995 the CVSS accepted stewardship of Rural Hill, the Homestead of John and Violet Wilson Davidson, as a Partner in Parks with Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation. Keets and

Dick worked on the committee to develop the Master Plan for preservation of this important historic site and Keets has worked as the Administrative Assistant to the Executive Committee since 1997.

She was born in Alaska, spent her formative years in Flat Rock, North Carolina, and lived many years in Minnesota, California, Arizona and Florida. Her mother, Leona, a self described health food nut, owned and operated the Merry Miller Health Food Store in Hendersonville. Her father, Robroy Farquhar founded the Flat Rock Playhouse, the State Theater of North Carolina where her brother Robin is still Managing Director.

Growing up behind the scenes in summer stock theater has been good training for facilitating management of the events at Rural Hill. The society presents the Rural Hill Sheep Dog Trials, the Amazing Maize Maze and the Loch Norman Highland Games and has plans to open Historic Rural Hill farm year round. The eleventh Loch Norman Highland Games will be held on April 17 and 18. Call 704-875-3113 or www.ruralhillfarm.org for more information.

The adorable couple on the front of page 1B grew up to be Keets & Dick Taylor! The photos there were taken...er...a few years ago!

We have the meaning of German names for you!

From *The MONTHLY Newsletter* of the Tazewell County Genealogical and Historical Society of Pekin, Illinois, we have received lots of German names with their American meanings. Here's a for-instance: Koch = Cook, Maurer = Mason, Schwartz = Black, Zimmerman = Carpenter. Apparently the original clipping came from the *Pekin Daily Times*, but the *MONTHLY's* editor noted they were indebted to William Komnick of Emden for answering their request that somebody tell them what the German names in Pekin meant.

The Family Tree will have copies in their Promise File if you are interested. And since this is a two-part article, we will attempt to get the first part of the article for you also. Just drop a line to *The Family Tree* and ask for the "German Names Meanings" and we will send you a copy. And by the way, please include a SASE. Thanks.

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ners next time...and winners will receive subscriptions to Edith Wagner's *Reunions Magazine*.

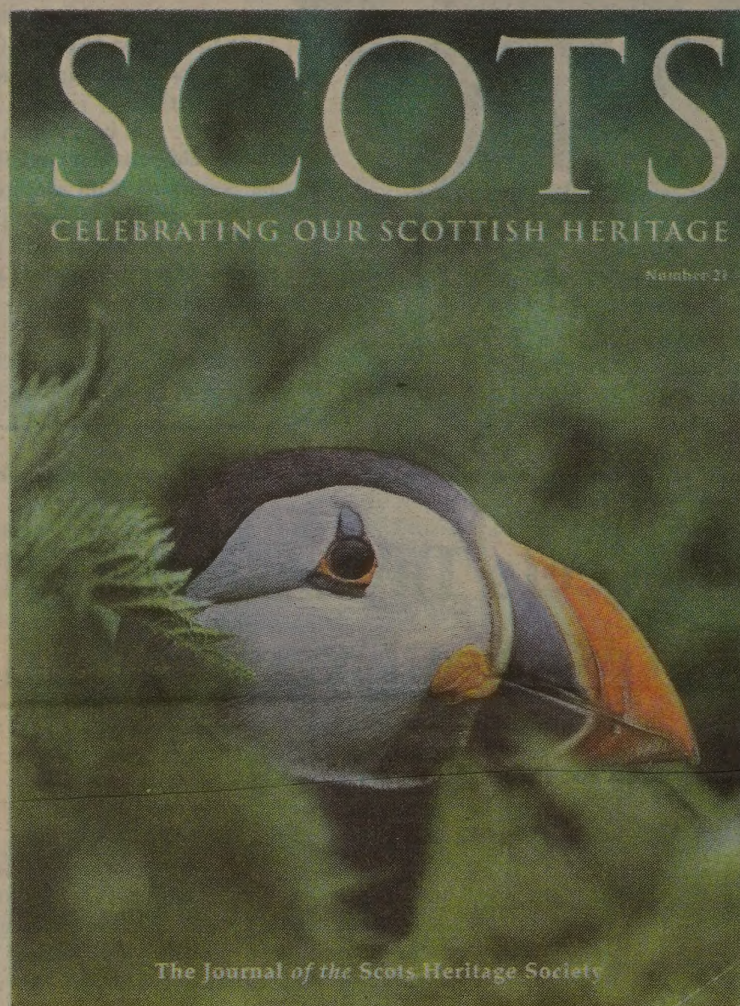
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